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Shultz takes Reagan letter to Gorbachov

White House fears on arms accord timing

From Christopher Thomas, Washington

Mr George Shultz, the US Secretary of State, will take a personal letter from President Reagan to Mr Gorbachov, the Soviet leader, urging progress towards a superpower arms agreement when he starts his Moscow visit today.

The White House is clearly worried that time is rapidly running out.

Preoccupation with the American election campaign will seriously hamper the chances of any arms control breakthrough after the end of this year.

Realistically, Mr Reagan and Mr Gorbachov will have to reach broad agreement by the summer to give time for detailed negotiations, followed by Senate examination and approval, before election fever finally takes hold of Washington.

White House officials refused to discuss the detailed contents of Mr Reagan's letter but said it expressed a desire to move arms control negotiations forward.

With time so short, Mr Shultz's three-day trip to Moscow is seen as the last chance for the Reagan Administration to secure a deal for removal of intermediate-range nuclear missiles from Europe.

Mr Reagan hopes Mr Gorbachov will visit Washington in the summer to sign a "Euro-missile" deal. American officials estimate that it would then take a minimum of two to three months to work out the details and to allow for extensive consultations with the allies. The process could well extend into next year.

Time has obviously now run out for any deal covering strategic missiles or space weapons. There is intense disagreement within the Administration on both subjects, and the issues have been quietly put aside in favour of trying to get a deal on Euro-missiles.

Much of the internal dispute on strategic and space issues centres on the 1972 Anti-Ballistic Missile Treaty. President Reagan has bowed to hardline Pentagon arguments and decided to revise his original guarantees for adhering to the treaty, which restrains development of his Strategic Defence Initiative, or Star Wars.

At the Reykjavik summit last autumn he agreed to observe the treaty for a 10-year period beginning in 1986. Now he says he will adhere to a broader, more permissive interpretation for five years beginning from the date of a superpower agreement on strategic arms.

Since no accord is conceivably possible before 1989, the Administration is now saying, in effect, that it will stand by the broader interpretation at least until 1994. If there is no agreement by then, the US will feel free to deploy and test weapons in space under the Star Wars project.

In exploring the prospects for a Euro-missile deal, Mr Shultz will this week tell the Soviet Union that its superiority in shorter-range missiles in Europe is unacceptable. Moscow and Washington appear to have agreed that shorter-range weapons are defined as those with a range of 300-600 miles.

Administration officials expect the Soviet Union to demand reductions in the British and French independent nuclear systems in return for cuts in shorter-range weapons. Mrs Thatcher and President Mitterrand have flatly rejected such a possibility.

Moscow may also seek concessions on US aircraft in Europe that can carry nuclear weapons.

Mr Shultz will insist that as part of a Euro-missile deal, the West must be allowed to have parity in shorter-range weapons in Europe. The allies would prefer a parity arrangement, rather than having no shorter-range weapons on either side.

The harsh rhetoric between Moscow and Washington over the alleged bugging of their respective embassies is not expected to have an serious impact on Mr Shultz's talks.

Mr George Shultz spent yesterday in Helsinki finalizing his negotiation strategy. During his 36-hour stopover before flying on to Moscow this morning, he rested to overcome jet lag, held meetings with members of his hundred-strong party and met President Koivisto of Finland for an hour of talks.

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Salvage vessels pull back as ferry begins to list



Waves and high winds halted salvage work yesterday as the Herald of Free Enterprise listed to an angle of 15 degrees.

Fears over chemical spillage

From Ruth Gledhill
Zeebrugge

Salvage experts stopped work on the Herald of Free Enterprise because of high winds and heavy seas yesterday and expressed concern that the vessel could roll back onto its side spilling out chemicals carried by lorries on board.

All salvage work came to a halt as the two lifts and the barge holding the ferry in place were removed, leaving it resting alone on a sandbank.

"There is a possibility the boat might go over again", said a Townsend Thoresen spokesman. One lorry carrying drums of dangerous chemicals has already tipped over inside the ferry.

Judge Arthur D'Hoest, heading the Belgian inquiry said he was "very alarmed" at the prospect of the boat going over again with the dangerous chemicals still on board. One investigator said: "If this waste was carried under its real name it would only be allowed on cargo ships". Judge D'Hoest said he will be sending his report to the public prosecutor after the British inquiry team has completed its own investigation.

It now appears unlikely that the Herald of Free Enterprise will be refloated on the target date set on April 20th.

Two cables attaching the ferry to the salvage barge Tak Heave 31 were broken away at 2 am yesterday as force nine winds whipped up three-metre waves around the vessel.

The Smit Tak salvage company towed the barge away and removed the lifts. By late afternoon the ferry had listed back over to 15 degrees.

Salvage master Mr Bert Kleywegt said: "There is too much swell for us to work. We do not believe the ferry will list any further. The long-term forecast is that the wind will decrease

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Inquiry call on passports sale

By Richard Evans and Andrew McEwen

The Government was under increasing pressure last night to investigate how an official at the Irish Embassy in London allegedly sold false passports for up to £15,000 each to customers including Libyans.

Mr Kevin McDonald, the embassy's passport officer, has been removed from his duties and recalled to Dublin amid fears that some of the passports may have got into the hands of Middle East terrorists.

Sir Anthony Kershaw, chairman of the Commons Select Committee on Foreign Affairs, last night called for a full Commons statement on the alleged racket and said a Whitehall inquiry was necessary.

The sale of the false passports, said to have gone on for the past five years, has caused concern in Dublin and Whitehall and the risk that a dispute could increase Anglo-Irish tension was discussed at high levels.

Sir Anthony, whose committee has produced a report on abuses of diplomatic immunity, said: "This is very disturbing because it would appear there has been a ghastly loophole over which we had not control.

"It is serious and brings into question the whole Irish connection and the British rights which the Irish have – which appear to have been passed on for money to terrorists."



Mr McDonald: Recalled to Dublin over passport sale

He hoped the Irish Government would waive diplomatic immunity and hand over Mr McDonald to stand trial in England if the allegations were proved correct.

Mr Charles Haughey, the Prime Minister, is understood to have called for an initial report on a three-day investigation in which the British Home and Foreign Offices worked closely with the Irish Department of Foreign Affairs.

The report was prepared by Mr Ted Barrington, assistant secretary and head of personnel at the Irish ministry, who flew to London last Thursday when the allegations first surfaced.

He reported yesterday to Mr Noel Dorr, former Irish Ambassador to Britain, who was promoted in March to Permanent Secretary in Dublin.

Mr Brian Lenihan, the Foreign Minister, is expected to confer with Mr Haughey today, and the matter may be discussed by the Irish Cabinet.

Dublin sources confirmed that a key issue in the Anglo-British investigation was whether any of the passports could have reached suspected terrorists. Mr Lenihan is understood to have been given a preliminary answer.

Meanwhile the Foreign Office and Home Office in London, which were informed of the affair last week, are expected to press Dublin to check every travel document issued by Mr McDonald.

The British authorities' priority is to establish whether any of the passports was issued to suspected terrorists. That is likely to involve

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Coventry City reached the FA Cup final for the first time in their 104-year history by beating Leeds United yesterday. Sheffield police reported 12 arrests. Coventry play Tottenham at Wembley ....Page 34

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Lenient sentences review

Donaldson opposes Bill

By Frances Gibb, Legal Affairs Correspondent

The Master of the Rolls, Sir John Donaldson, has thrown his support behind the Lord Chief Justice in opposing government proposals for a Court of Appeal right to review too lenient sentences.

In a wide-ranging speech yesterday to a Law Society conference at Oxford, he also called for reforms to the system for dismissing judges to "strengthen the Lord Chancellor's hand", by making dismissals subject to the approval of the Lord Chief Justice and three other heads of the High Court divisions.

The Master of the Rolls, head of the Court of Appeal's Civil Division, also issued a warning that the role of the judiciary in the divisions of powers between parliament, government and judges was becoming more and more limited. He called for the administration of the courts to be made subject to "judicial and not ministerial control".

The opposition of Sir John and that of the Lord Chief Justice, the two most senior judges, to the Government's proposal on lenient sentences could lead to an embarrassing defeat when the Criminal Justice Billgoes to the Lords next month.

Sir John made clear he did not believe the proposals went far enough to allay public anxiety.

Under the Bill, just through the Commons, the Court of Appeal would have power to make a general statement of principle on too lenient sentences referred to it by the Attorney General, but no power to increase the sentence. But the Lord Chief Justice, Lord Lane, has made it known he wants a full-blown right of appeal which could result in a sentence being increased by the Court of Appeal.

Yesterday the Master of the Rolls echoed his view: "The current clamour of criticism of the judges is largely, but not exclusively, concentrated upon criminal sentences which are said to be too lenient and cannot be appealed."

The need for a right of appeal was both "urgent and important", he said, but "it must be a real appeal.

"I doubt whether public anxiety would be much relieved, if, as is proposed, an appellate court had no power to do more than provide

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Council loan risk for foreign banks

By Richard Evans, Political Correspondent

Foreign banks and City institutions which are lending millions of pounds to left-wing controlled local authorities were warned last night by ministers that they risked losing the money.

The tough message from Mr Nicholas Ridley, Secretary of State for the Environment, and Dr Rhodes Boyson, Minister for Local Government, followed the disclosure yesterday that town halls are estimated to have built up financial burdens worth £5 billion.

The local authorities involved, nearly all run by Labour, have manipulated accounting procedures to raise cash which can be spent now but will not have to be repaid for several years.

Huge sums have been raised from foreign banks, many of them Japanese, by remortgaging council property, ranging from town halls and schools to parking meters and library books.

The councils hope that by the time they have to repay the money – the first payments will have to be made within three years – a Labour government will be in power and will help settle the debts.

Mr Ridley said: "Whether the lenders will ever see their money is not absolutely clear because they may have to go in to realize their security. I am not predicting that will happen. But it is very curious as to how they think than can exercise their security."

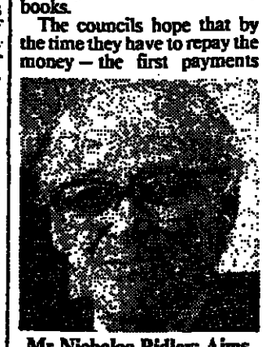
With some authorities having mortgaged council house bathroom fittings, one Whitehall source said yesterday that it would be interesting to see how a merchant bank would tackle the task of removing fittings from 35,000 homes to recover its loan should a council default on payment.

Dr Boyson gave a clear warning to banks that they could be left with serious debts. "We have consistently said local government debt is not guaranteed by the Government," he said.

"Foreign banks and City insitutions considering doing deals with hard left councils should think very carefully before committing themselves."

The Government has taken legislative action to close some of the loopholes used by local authorities to raise cash and get round Whitehall spending restrictions.

But that has not prevented councils such as Manchester, which is negotiating a £200 million deal, forming plans which include, for example, mortgaging the city abattoir.



Mr Nicholas Ridley: Aims to tackle loans problem

Dollar faces biggest test against the yen

By Richard Thomson, Banking Correspondent

The dollar is facing a crisis this week in the currency markets when its gradual decline against the yen could turn into a landslide in the wake of deteriorating economic news.

The markets are disappointed by the outcome of the meeting of finance ministers of the Group of Seven industrialized countries in Washington last week. Currency dealers doubt the determination of the authorities to stabilize currencies

Tomorrow is likely to be the biggest test for the dollar with the announcement of the US trade deficit for February. A larger than expected deficit will almost certainly cause widespread panic in the markets.

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Harare buys Soviet MiGs

From Jan Raath
Harare

Zimbabwe is engaged in a big build-up of its ageing Air Force to counter what it sees as a threat from South Africa.

Military and diplomatic sources here yesterday confirmed that the Soviet Union last month concluded an agreement to supply Zimbabwe with 12 MiG-29 combat aircraft.

The deal will also include another two MiG-29s for training purposes, and 15 Soviet technical flight advisers for each combat aircraft, a total of 180 personnel.

The sale is the first entry of the Soviet Union into the Zimbabwean military market, and has taken observers here by surprise. Relations between the two countries were clouded with suspicion as during Zimbabwe's liberation war Moscow backed Mr Joshua Nkomo, the Zapu leader.

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The high-powered delegation to Moscow that sealed the contract was the latest in a series of arms-seeking sorties by Zimbabwe. Other delegations are known to have travelled to North Korea and Peking.

This year Zimbabwe has also begun taking delivery of 10 Italian Agusta Bell troop-carrying helicopters, several of which were seen flying over the city centre last week during preparations for next Sunday's Independence Day.

Zimbabwe is also reported by military sources to be engaged in discussions with the British Government for the sale of Javelin missiles.

● JOHANNESBURG: A spokesman for the South African Foreign Ministry described the report about the supply of Soviet MiGs to Zimbabwe as "speculative." There would be no comment unless the deal was confirmed

Benefit office strike will hit families at Easter

By Richard Evans, Political Correspondent

Thousands of jobless people in Scotland will not receive unemployment benefit this week because of industrial action planned by Civil Servants, the Government warned last night.

Lord Young of Graffham, Secretary of State for Employment, said many families could have no money at all over the Easter holiday because of plans by two Civil Service unions to close large number of unemployment benefit offices and to stop work at the Livingston computer centre in Scotland, which handles benefit payments.

"The effect of this combined action will be, despite our best efforts, to make it impossible for the department to pay large numbers of unemployed people in Scotland this week", he said.

Members of the Society of Civil and Public Servants (SCPS) and the Civil and Public Services Association (CPSA) are in dispute with the Government over pay.

Lord Young said the stepping up of the industrial action was contrary to the stated aims of various union leaders, including the general secretary of the CPSA, who had declared the primary target was the Government.

"In fact the trade unions have gone out of their way to target their action on the most vulnerable section of the community, the unemployed.

"They have done this by deliberately aiming to close not only unemployment benefit offices but also linked social security offices in Scotland, which would otherwise be able to make emergency payments to the thousands of people involved."

While he acknowledged the Civil Servants taking the industrial action had a "difficult job to do", Lord Young said they had been made a pay offer which was above the rate of inflation for the second year running.

"Indeed for many the increase offered to them this year is in the region of 5 to 6 per cent. No one over 17 will get less than a £5.75 per week increase. This is an offer which many other Civil Servants have already accepted."

He appealed to trade unionist planing to take industrial action to remember they had the security of jobs in contrast to many others. "I hope that before it is too late they will think again about the effect their action is having on the most vulnerable groups in society."

● The election for the post of deputy general secretary of the CPSA gets underway today.

The election, dogged by controversy from the start, is likely to prove no less controversial than last year's election for general secretary, where the results were declared null and void after allegations of ballot-rigging.

Mr John Macreadie, a Militant supporter who organised the first leg of the present Civil Service strike, is standing for the Broad Left. Mr Terry Ainsworth, acting deputy general

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NEWS SUMMARY

Cotton sues over Falklands play

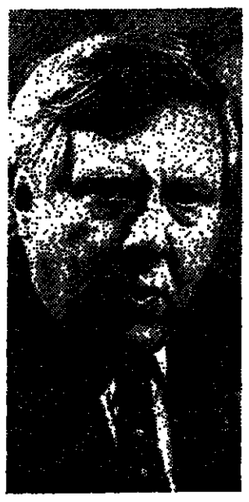
Mr Bill Cotton, managing director of BBC Television, is to take legal action against *The Sunday Telegraph* over allegations about his role in the BBC's dispute with Mr Ian Curteis, author of a play about the Falklands war.

Mr Cotton rejects a suggestion that he stopped the BBC producing the play for political reasons. The BBC last night denied Mr Curteis's claim that it has blocked the play from being produced elsewhere by retaining its broadcast rights to the work.

Meanwhile, it was alleged yesterday that a tape recording which it is claimed implicates Mr Jeffrey Archer, the author, in rigging his part in a quiz show, may have been tampered with.

A transcript of the tape, published yesterday by *The News of the World*, suggested that Mr Archer had been told in advance of the occupations of mystery guests on Thames Television's *What's My Line?*. Independent Radio News, which has a copy of the tape, said it may have been edited.

Assault inquiry



Two men have been interviewed by police investigating an attack by London soccer fans on Mr Roy Hattersley, Labour's deputy leader, at a Birmingham hotel (Our Crime Reporter writes).

Mr Hattersley was not injured but Sir Stanley Yapp, chairman of his constituency party, was struck on the forehead by a plate and needed seven stitches.

The fans were supporting Tottenham Hotspur in the FA Cup semi-final.

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Scones bite the dust

The traditional British scone is dead, according to *Egon Ronay's PG Tips Just a Bite Guide*, published today. It blames the misuse of microwave ovens for producing scones that are "dehydrated, hard and brittle" and even some that "could have been bounced off the wall".

Wine bars, however, have a better microwave touch, the guide says, praising them for no longer serving "hot on the edges, soggy in the middle lasagnes and moussaka".

It chooses Church House, a guest house in Lyonshall, Hereford and Worcester, as tea place of the year, for serving an outstanding cup of tea.

Just a Bite. Egon Ronay's PG Tips 1987 Guide: Automobile Association (£4.95).

Rescue a book plea

The British Library is launching an "adoption" scheme to rescue millions of books in its collection which, it says, are falling apart (Our Arts Correspondent writes).

From this week, the public will be invited to preserve Britain's literary heritage by adopting a book in danger of destruction. Preservation work is conservatively estimated at £150 million.

For a £200 donation patrons may have their names printed on the book they rescue.

Prince to aid fund

The Prince of Wales has agreed to be patron of and contributor to a £500,000 fund-raising appeal for diabetes research at St Thomas's Hospital, south London.

The Hordern Fund Appeal is run by diabetic patients and their families and friends. It is trying to raise funds for one of the latest research methods using non-radioactive tracking techniques, to tackle unsolved diabetes problems. These include a study of blindness and kidney disease - a frequent cause of death in diabetics.

Troops at Heathrow

Armed troops moved into Heathrow Airport yesterday as a precaution against the possibility of terrorist attacks timed to coincide with this week's anniversary of the American air raid on Libya.

The troops, in light tanks and armoured cars, are at the airport as part of the continuing joint police and army exercise code-named Operation Trustee.

Airport security guards have also been put on an increased alert. Soldiers on foot carrying automatic weapons patrolled inside the terminals, while tanks and personnel carriers were at the airport's main access tunnel.

Owen 'rules out' pact on government with Labour

By Richard Evans, Political Correspondent

Dr David Owen was accused last night by Labour's campaign co-ordinator of being hellbent on keeping Labour out of office in the event of a hung Parliament.

The outburst by Mr Bryan Gould came after the SDP leader noticeably confined his criticism of the Government to Mrs Margaret Thatcher and emphasized that there were large numbers of Conservative MPs who favoured a change in economic policy and were not committed to Trident which would make a deal with the Alliance much easier.

In contrast, he attacked the "loony left" within Labour's ranks, the leadership of Mr Neil Kinnock and pointed to major sticking points involving the repeal of trade union legislation and the abandonment of Britain's independent nuclear deterrent, which would block any chance of a pact between Labour and the Alliance.

When it was suggested to Dr Owen, who was appearing on *Weekend World*, that he had given the clear impression that he was a politician more likely to be able to do a deal with the current Conservative Party than with the current Labour Party the SDP leader simply replied: "Well that's up to Mr Kinnock."

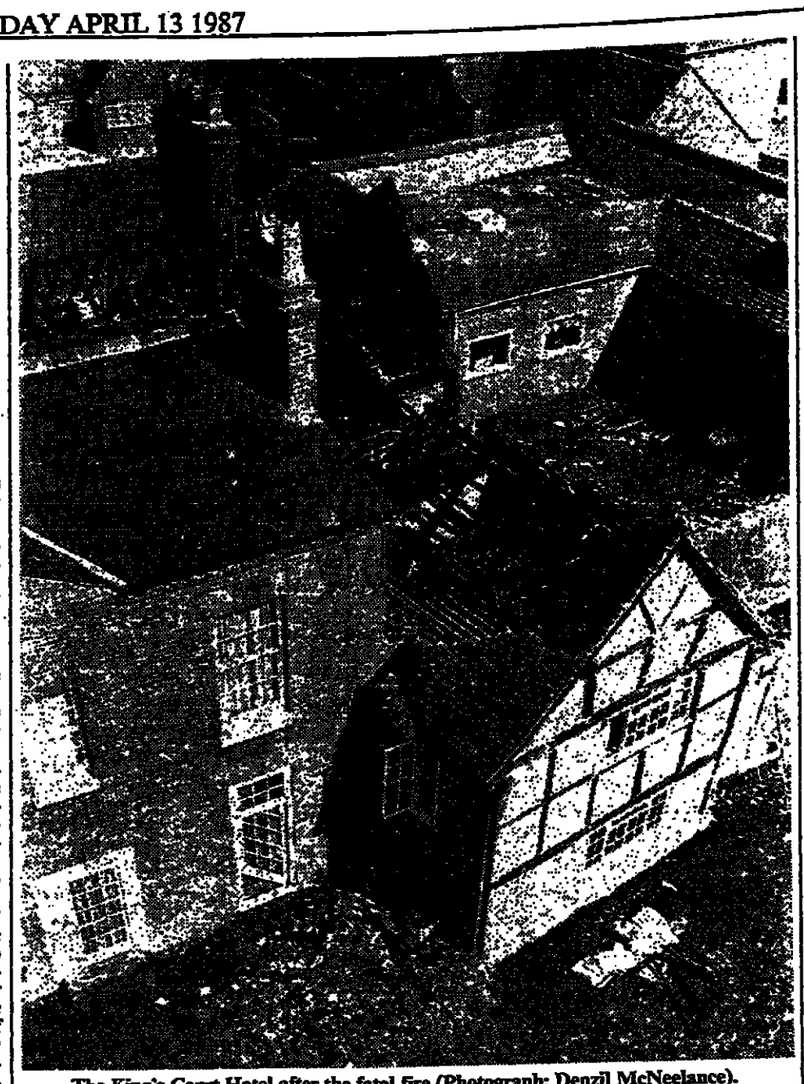
Mr Gould said last night: "Dr Owen came out in his true blue colours. He almost revealed his ready packaged terms for a post-election deal with Mrs Thatcher. "Anyone who thinks a vote for the Alliance is a means of getting rid of Mrs Thatcher will discover that in Dr Owen's hands their vote will simply keep her in Downing Street."

Dr Owen, speaking about Alliance priorities in the event of no overall general election victory, disclosed he now favoured a referendum on proportional representation for Westminster elections and suggested it should take place after the legislation had been passed by Parliament "so people know what they're voting for".

In the short term "immediate demands" included the introduction of PR for elections to the European parliament, the proposed legislative parliament for Scotland and a revived Northern Ireland assembly.

While a "very, very big gap" remained between the attitude of Mrs Thatcher and the two Alliance leaders on the economy and unemployment, Dr Owen emphasized that there were a sizeable number of Cabinet ministers and a very substantial number of Conservative MPs who had consistently wanted substantial changes to economic policies. The gap between the Alliance and Conservative parties was not unbridgeable.

And on the key issue of Trident he said there was room for a Conservative Party, which had fought the election backing Trident, "to come round to the view ... that there is another way which is less expensive, not quite so supersophisticated but nevertheless sufficient for British purposes".



The King's Court Hotel after the fatal fire (Photograph: Denzil McNeelance).

Couple die in blaze at hotel

A hotel proprietor and his wife died yesterday, trapped behind three locked doors, as fire swept through the building.

Firemen wearing breathing gear rescued two other guests, who escaped injury, after the blaze broke out at the King's Court Hotel, King's Coughton, near Alcester, Warwickshire, shortly after 5am.

The couple who died were Mr Gaetano Guarino, aged 59, and his wife Madelaine, aged 60, who had taken over the business in November 1985.

A senior fire officer said that his men had broken through three locked doors, including a fire door, to reach the couple.

The couple appeared to have been trying to escape from their bedroom when they were overcome by smoke.

Most of the 13 guests found their own way to safety. It took more than two hours for 40 firemen to tackle the blaze.

Warwickshire police said last night they were not treating the blaze as suspicious.

The Warwickshire Fire Brigade said the fire appeared to have started in the roof.

Synod to question power of premier

By Clifford Longley
Religious Affairs Correspondent

The role of the Prime Minister in the making of top appointments in the Church of England is expected to receive further critical attention from the General Synod in the light of last week's disclosures that Mrs Margaret Thatcher rejected the church's first preference for the vacant diocese of Birmingham.

The opportunity will arise when the synod debates proposals to limit the Prime Minister's powers of patronage. These proposals are so far still at an early stage, however, and the church has yet to decide whether it wants political patronage eliminated altogether, or to change to a system similar to that for the appointment of diocesan bishops.

Senior church positions are now selected by three distinct methods, and churchmen are saying that this no longer makes sense.

- Diocesan bishops, of whom the most senior 26 sit, as of right, in the House of Lords, are selected by the reformed patronage system introduced in 1976. The Prime Minister has a choice of two names, usually in order of preference, which are submitted to her by the church's Crown Appointments Commission.
- Deans and provosts, who are responsible for administering cathedrals, are normally nominated by the unreformed patronage system predating 1976, which is based on confidential soundings conducted on behalf of 10 Downing Street.
- Suffragan bishops (i.e. assistant bishops), such as the bishops of Kensington and of Stepney who were the two names submitted for Birmingham, are appointed on the nomination of the diocesan bishop, and the Prime Minister has no discretion.

Synod cannot immediately reopen the issue raised last week, concerning the Prime Minister's involvement in diocesan bishoprics, as it has only just accepted the findings of a thorough review of the 1976 system, which recommended that it should be left alone for the time being. The synod also accepted the recommendation, however, that the method of appointing deans and provosts should be re-examined so that the real choice lay with the church.

Prime ministerial patronage stems from the Reformation of Henry VIII when he replaced the role of the Pope with the role of the Sovereign. The emergence of the constitutional monarchy transferred the real decision from the Crown to the Crown's chief minister.

Meanwhile dissatisfaction with the present method of appointing diocesan bishops continued to surface over the weekend, in the light of disclosures in *The Times* concerning the Birmingham appointment.

The Bishop-elect of Birmingham himself, the Right Reverend Mark Santer, said: "I believe the Church of England should appoint its own bishops."

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Zeebrugge disaster

Challenge to ferry ballast practices

By Rodney Cowton
Transport Correspondent

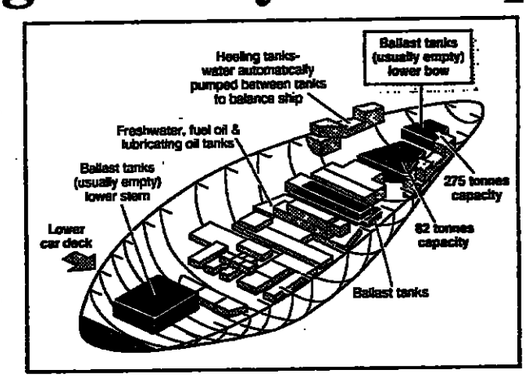
Masters of cross-Channel car ferries who pump out ballast water to adjust the height of the bow above the sea as they leave Zeebrugge have been challenged by a senior naval architect.

This is one of the issues certain to be examined closely by the public inquiry into the disaster to be conducted by Mr Justice Sheen.

The basic method of measuring the amount of water in a ballast tank is still the archaic one of sounding by lowering a line into it, there being no gauges or meters showing the depth on the bridge or in the engine room. The inquiry may well want to consider whether this is an appropriate level of technology.

The naval architect said that, in his opinion, the process of pumping out should be completed before ferries left the port, although he recognized it was difficult for the ferry operators, working to tight schedules.

He said that in a collision, or other crisis, vessels were more vulnerable if "trimmed down by the head", that is if the bows were low in the water, and a high proportion of collisions occurred near harbour entrances.



Superintendent Jose van dan Bussche, the police chief who prepared a report on the disaster for the Belgian authorities, has also said that he considered the removal of ballast from the bow tanks should have been completed before the ferry left the harbour.

The fact that the Herald of Free Enterprise was still trimmed down by the head as she left Zeebrugge is almost universally regarded as an important factor contributing to her capsize. However, it is recognized that it became a factor only because the bow doors were open. In normal circumstances ferry operators regard trimming the bow while under way as a perfectly safe procedure.

Sources with experience in ferry operations said the order to fill up the bow ballast tanks is usually given by the chief officer who, on board the Herald of Free Enterprise, was Mr Leslie Sable.

There are no specific regulations about ballasting. But every ship carries a stability book which gives information about the effect on stability of various dispositions of cargo

On many ferries there is the option of pumping water in from the sea, or transferring it from a ballast tank at the stern. But Townsend Thoresen said that on the Herald of Free Enterprise the water was invariably pumped from the sea.

The requirement to trim a ferry down by the bow at Zeebrugge is determined by the state of the tide. On the evening of Friday, March 6, it was a moderately high tide, and in accordance with normal practice, the order to take on ballast would have been given by the chief officer an hour or more before Zeebrugge was reached.

The practice of ships' crews seems to differ in determining when sufficient water has been pumped into the tank.

Experienced ferry operators agree it was a fairly common occurrence for ships to sail with the bow ballasted down, although masters normally tried to avoid doing so for long because it made the steering sluggish.

Experienced officers insist that provided the standards in the stability book are met it is perfectly safe to pump the ballast while the ship is moving.

Kasparov overcomes setback

The world chess champion, Garry Kasparov, fought back after an early setback to beat John Van der Wiel, of The Netherlands, in the second round of the Brussels International SWIFT chess tournament on Saturday.

Kasparov, of the Soviet Union, playing the white pieces, had some difficulty in the beginning but gained his victory after blocking a bishop.

His countryman, Anatoly Karpov, the former world champion, did not have to appear because his West German opponent, Robert Huebner, reported ill. Their game is to be played today.

Viktor Korchnoi defeated Belgium's Luc Winants after coming under time pressure. He was forced to make 19 moves in two minutes.

Jan Timman, of The Netherlands, beat Britain's Nigel Short, who surrendered the game after seeing a rook trapped.

Second round results:
Kasparov beat Van der Wiel; Ljubojevic beat Meulders; Timman beat Short; Larsen beat Torre; Korchnoi beat Winants; Karpov v Huebner was postponed.
Standings after the second round:
Kasparov, Korchnoi, Timman, 2 points; Ljubojevic, Larsen, 1.5; Karpov, Huebner, Short, Torre, 0.5; Meulders, Winants, Van der Wiel, 0.

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Poll tax to bring 'huge increases'

By Our Political Correspondent

Government plans to replace domestic rates with a poll tax, or community charge, will result in huge increases in bills for most people living in inner cities, Mr Jack Straw, Labour's local government spokesman, predicted yesterday in a report based on government statistics.

According to Mr Straw's calculations:
All inner London boroughs, except Westminster, and Kensington and Chelsea, face increases ranging from 67 per cent in Islington (up £206 per head to £511) to 114 per cent in Conservative-controlled Wandsworth (up £212 to £397);
All boroughs in South Yorkshire, West Yorkshire and Merseyside face increases of between 9.5 per cent (North Tyneside) and 65 per cent (Barnsley);
In Merseyside, the poorest areas of Knowsley, St Helens and Liverpool, face increases of between 11 and 13 per cent;
In Greater Manchester, Oldham (7 per cent), Manchester (11 per cent), Wigan (14 per cent) and Rochdale (5 per cent) would all have increased bills, as would relatively deprived non metropolitan areas: Carlisle (27 per cent), Barrow in Furness (49 per cent), Hartlepool (18 per cent).

Mr Straw estimates that all districts in Durham face rises of between 19 per cent (Chester-le-Street) and 64 per cent (Wear Valley), while in Humberside average bills in Hull would go up by 32 per cent, Scunthorpe by 24 per cent, Great Grimsby by 16 per cent, and Boothferry by 38 per cent.

"Everyone is going to pay the poll tax. The Government are explicit that the single unemployed on unemployment benefit will pay in full - the same as the millionaire", Mr Straw said yesterday.

"Only the near destitute will get help."

Plea on footpath law

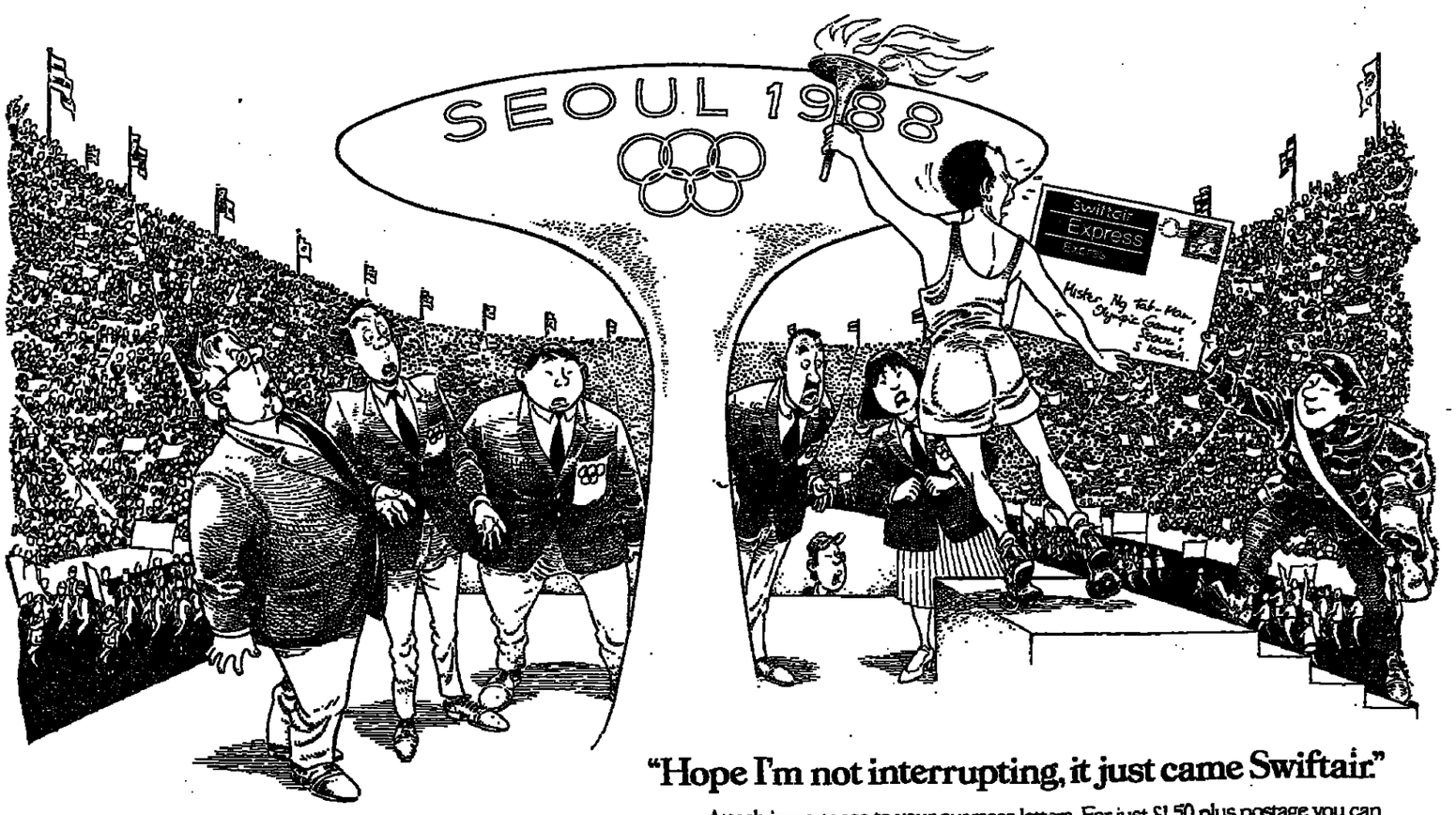
Ninety per cent of all footpaths are destroyed by farmers ploughing fields, according to the Ramblers' Association.

The code of practice issued by the Countryside Commission and Ministry of Agriculture last year has had no effect, Mr David Rubinstein, the association's chairman, says in its annual report.

Mr Rubinstein adds that a Government-sponsored report found in 1985 that 90 per cent of rights of way which crossed arable fields were not restored after ploughing as the law requires.

Since then the association, which has more than 52,000 members, had monitored the situation carefully and found little improvement, he says.

He adds: "By demonstrating contempt for footpaths and footpath users farmers are cutting themselves off from a large and growing body of public support, which they can ill afford to lose."



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Four die every hour in Britain from heart complaints

By Thomson Prentice, Science Correspondent

Four people an hour are dying prematurely from coronary heart disease in an epidemic that costs the National Health Service more than £400 million a year, according to a report published today.

Middle-aged men are particularly vulnerable and one in four males aged between 40 and 59 have evidence of coronary disease, the report from the Office of Health Economics, a research organization formed by the Association of the British Pharmaceutical Industry, says.

More than 160,000 people died from heart disease in England and Wales in 1985, and the United Kingdom is becoming "increasingly isolated" at the top of the international coronary mortality league tables, it says.

Positive action to reduce the death toll is urgently needed, with particular emphasis on the risks linked with smoking, diet and high blood pressure. The report calls for more health education initiatives aimed at schools, workplaces and family doctors.

The report's author, Mr Nicholas Wells, associate director of the OHE, said that the annual NHS bill on heart disease would pay for the treatment of 26,000 Aids patients between diagnosis and death, 35 times the total number of cases reported so far.

"This comparison is not drawn with the intention of minimizing the significance of Aids. It is designed to emphasize the contemporary magnitude of the coronary problem and to reinstate it firmly on the public's health agenda", he said.

Professor Desmond Julian, medical director of the British Heart Foundation, welcomed the report yesterday. "It shows how much could be achieved by the application of the knowledge we have acquired in recent years", he said.

The report is published as a prelude to the "Look after your heart" campaign which is being launched by the Department of Health and the Health Education Authority after Easter.

Coronary Heart Disease: The need for action (Available from OHE, 12 Whitehall, London SW1A 2DY; £1.00).

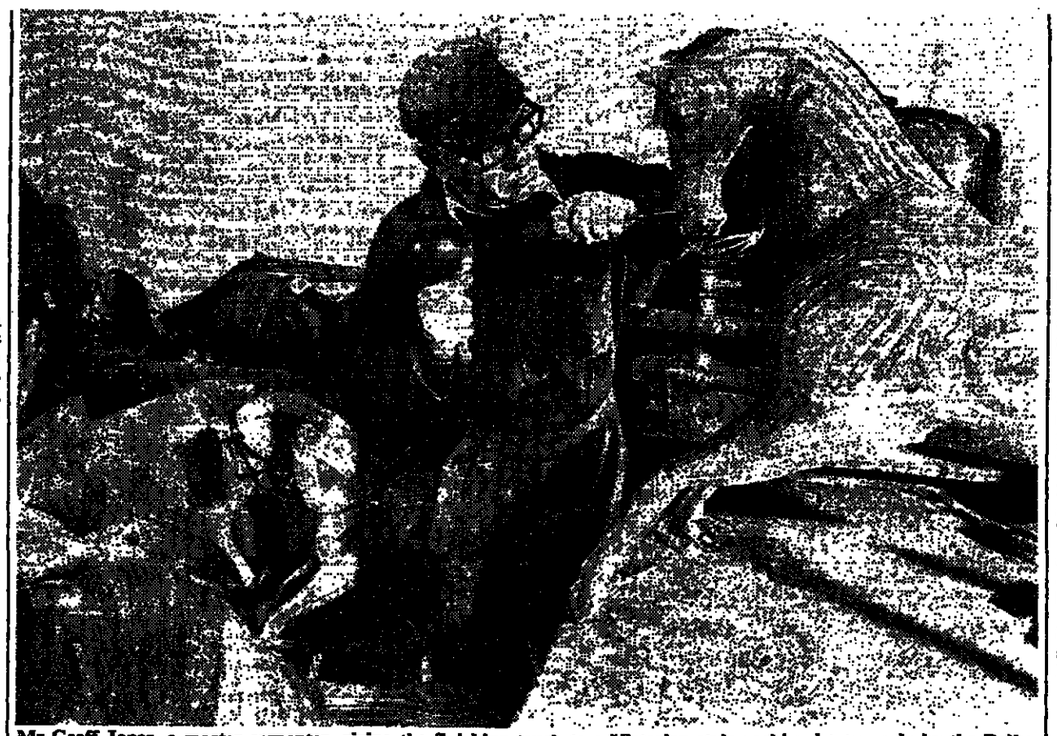
● Many of Britain's 29 million motorists who suffer serious illness that can affect their driving, fail to report it to the authorities. Research by a group of Bristol doctors has shown that few people who suffer a stroke and subsequently return to driving have informed the Driver and Vehicle Licensing Centre at Swansea.

The AA has warned its members: "If a disability or medical condition is not reported, and the driver is involved in an accident, insurance could become invalid".

Each year 8,000 people are refused a driving licence or have it withdrawn on medical grounds. More than 200,000 people, including all heavy goods vehicle drivers, apply to the centre for medical approval annually.

Only in extreme cases will family doctors advise the centre directly about the ill-health of a patient. A spokeswoman for the British Medical Association emphasized that the normal doctor/patient confidentiality would be breached "only if the doctor is aware that a patient is likely to endanger the public by continuing to drive".

Conditions including multiple sclerosis, angina, heart disease and arthritis are supposed to be notified as is having a pacemaker fitted.



Mr Geoff Jones, a master carpenter, giving the finishing touch to a Victorian-style rocking horse made by the Relko Rocking Horse Company of Berkshire. Most of the 300 horses sold in the past year have been exported and orders have come from Japan, West Germany and Switzerland. The top of the four-model range costs £760 (Photograph: Tim Bishop).

Aids payment call for haemophiliacs

By Jill Sherman, Social Services Correspondent

The Government should pay lump sums to the 1,000 haemophiliacs who have contracted the Aids virus from contaminated blood products, the Haemophilia Society said yesterday.

It wants payment to be made even if liability cannot be proved.

The society said yesterday that it would call on the Government to provide recompense for the sufferers and their families.

The Government has consistently said that compensation is a matter for the courts, but lawyers have informed the society that actions are unlikely to succeed as it will be very difficult to prove negligence.

"There are clearly additional costs for those with the HIV infection and those who develop Aids", the society said.

Where people died there were also extra costs to the family such as funeral expenses.

The Haemophilia Society will prepare details of the costs entailed, which it will present to ministers.

"The Government has a moral responsibility if not a legal one. If the country had been self sufficient in producing the blood clotting product, Factor 8, as was promised 10 years ago, none of these people would now be infected", it said.

Britain is still dependent on the United States for 80 per cent of its Factor 8 supplies. No test case for compensation has yet been through the British courts, but of the few cases taken to court in the United States, none has been successful.

Lawyers are still assessing one or two individual claims in this country, but the Haemophilia Society has advised haemophiliacs who have the Aids virus not to seek legal compensation.

"It would be very expensive and the chance of success is very low. Haemophiliacs would also be exposing themselves to the public and laying themselves open to discrimination", the society said.

"It is up to individuals if they wish to pursue claims but we advise against it."

Twenty-two of the 28 haemophiliacs who have so far developed Aids have died.

The Department of Health and Social Security said yesterday: "The courts will decide whether to attribute blame. The DHSS reacted as quickly as it could. Most people picked up the virus before we first knew of the disease."

'Poor diet' of families on benefits

Unemployed parents and those on supplementary benefit cannot afford adequate food or clothing for their children, according to a study published today (Our Social Services Correspondent writes).

The study, by the independent Family Policy Studies Centre, shows that the weekly diet of a family on supplementary benefit with two children is low on fibre and high in fat and salt.

The report assessed the expenditure, about £74.88, of a family on supplementary benefit with two children aged five and 10 living in a council house.

That expenditure was compared with the average spending of similar families not dependent on supplementary benefit.

The average household (two adults and two children) spends £16.64 on clothing and footwear and £45.20 on food a week compared with £3.55 and £30.50 respectively for a family on supplementary benefit.

An average household will spend £4.95 a week on tobacco while a family on supplementary benefit spends £6.59. *Budgeting on Benefit: The Consumption of Families on Social Security* (Family Policy Studies Centre, 231 Baker Street, London NW1; £5.50).

Violence in Ulster

RUC men killed by Provos

By Richard Ford

Two police officers were killed in a weekend of terrorist violence in which the RUC was attacked by the Provisional IRA and "loyalists" intent on raising tension before traditional Easter parades.

The two reserve constables were shot in the backs of their heads as they patrolled Portrush, Co Antrim, a seaside resort largely untouched by the troubles.

Mr Robert McClean, aged 44, from Portrush and Mr Frederick Armstrong, aged 40, from Coleraine, Co Londonderry, were "soft" targets for the IRA who ambushed them outside an amusement arcade shortly before midnight on Saturday.

The killings bring to five the number of RUC men murdered by the Provisional IRA this year and to 24 the total number of people killed in the troubles in 1987.

This compares with 15 in the same period last year although eight of those who have died this year were killed in a feud within the Irish National Liberation Army.

The Provisionals deny they have suddenly increased their activities arguing instead that they have been lucky after many months when their operations were hindered by the security forces.

But the security forces believe the poor showing of Provisional Sinn Fein in the Irish Republic's general election and a change in the leadership of the military wing in Belfast has led to the upsurge.

Hours before the killings of the two policemen, the Ulster Young Militants fired shots at an RUC Land Rover and a police station in loyalist areas of north and west Belfast.

Girl aged four critically ill after attack

Police were yesterday hunting a man who assaulted and sexually abused a girl aged four after abducting her outside her home.

The girl was critically ill in hospital last night.

She was abducted in Hamilton, Strathclyde, at 9.40pm on Saturday, and found at 10.25pm, in a street about half a mile away.

A police spokesman said: "The girl's injuries are horrific. She was severely assaulted and sexually abused.

"We are looking for a man in his twenties about 6ft tall who was wearing dark trousers and a light sweater, with a diagonal blue strip across it.

Portfolio Gold

Winner to throw a huge party

Mr Robert Jones, a software consultant, plans a party after winning Saturday's daily Portfolio Gold dividend of £4,000.

Mr Jones, aged 22, of Tottenham, north London, said: "First of all, I plan a major party. Then I may share some of the winnings with my friends."

He has been a reader of *The Times* for three years and has played Portfolio Gold since the game started.

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Mr Jones may share prize with friends.

Women pilots

British Airways has hired its first three women pilots. The women, whose names will be released this week, will fly Boeing 727 and Super 1-11 jets on European routes.

Exports boost for Rover

By Daniel Ward, Motor Industry Correspondent

Austin Rover achieved its best monthly export sales for seven years in March — and in America the Rover 800 model is outselling BMW and Mercedes Benz rivals.

Total Austin Rover sales have risen by 4 per cent to 117,000 in the first quarter of 1987, in spite of the slide in the UK market share from 16.9 to 16.2 per cent.

Austin Rover's worldwide export sales have improved by 13 per cent compared with the first three months of 1986.

In America, sales of the executive class Rover 800 have reached 2,578 since it was launched two months ago and the Rover is now outselling some rival Mercedes and BMW models. Up to 25,000 Rover 800s, one third of the production output, will be exported to America.

Honda has begun building the 800 under contract for Austin Rover in Japan, helping to double the company's sales in March.

Head denounces Baker strategy

By Sarah Thompson, Education Reporter

The latest education initiatives by the Government were bitterly attacked yesterday by the head of one of the most moderate teaching unions.

Mr Michael Duffy, president of the 5,500-member Secondary Heads Association, told his union conference that the proposed national curriculum was "an idea whose time has gone".

Mr Kenneth Baker, Secretary of State for Education and Science, is planning a series of national "benchmarks" of achievement against which children are to be measured by tests.

Mr Baker has said that the benchmark tests, at ages seven, 11 and 14, will be "diagnostic" and that gaps disclosed in children's work would be plugged by remedial teaching.

Teachers are concerned that these extra lessons may not find space in the already crowded school day and must be held outside school hours, raising new questions of payment for the extra time.

Mr Duffy, switching his attack yesterday to city technology colleges, said they were "superficial, divisive and nationally irrelevant" and would lure industry's money and interest away from the Government's technical and vocational education initiative to provide workshop experience in schools.

The General Certificate of Secondary Education "was and is seriously underresourced", while the Certificate of Pre-vocational Education, another government initiative, was "being seriously compromised in the schools".

The Government was "Cstreaming the education service", Mr Duffy said, by putting more effort into the private sector through the assisted places scheme, which provides private education for 25,000 pupils, or through city technology colleges.

He said that outrage among teachers at the new imposed pay settlement and contract would result in more calls for industrial action at forthcoming union conferences "which will further alienate ebbing parental support".

Fishing was for ancient wretches

By Philip Howard

All you need to be a fisherman is a worm and a capacity for putting up with boredom.

Today we rate fishing highly as a recreation for the incurably idle, whether on a beat on the Tweed, or slumped all day with maggots beside a reservoir.

But the ancient world reckoned fishing to be the pits, fit only for drop-outs.

In an illuminating paper to the Classical Association Conference at Reading University, Dr Nicholas Purcell, of Oxford University, showed how in Ancient Greece and Rome fishermen were the symbols of poverty.

No green umbrellas or hooray-Henry waders and Barbours for them: they were represented in sculpture and painting as prematurely decayed by age, covered with salt and seaweed, naked, deformed, wild with poverty.

The rich liked to have a statue of a wretched fisherman or two in the garden, rather as Marie Antoinette played at milk maids, to remind themselves: "There but for the grace of the gods go I".

Dr Oliver Taplin, of Oxford University, did a lively job of character assassination on Agamemnon in the Iliad. He demonstrated persuasively that, far from being the King and leader of men that later doctrines about monarchy lead him to be seen as, he is presented by Homer as a cowardly and incompetent rat fink, who fades away out of the story.

Perhaps Homer wanted us to think proleptically about the hot water that was waiting for Agamemnon in the bath when he got home.

Dr Christopher Rowe, of Bristol University, discussed Platonic irony: the eternally interesting questions of whether Plato said what he meant, or, on the other hand, whether he meant what he said.

FAME IS NOT ALWAYS THE BEST INDICATION OF VALUE.

Thomas who?

Quite. It surprises no-one that a picture by John Constable should be worth thousands of pounds, but there are many works by artists who are not well-known which frequently fetch remarkably high prices.

It is the ability to spot such works which characterises the Phillips picture department.

The estimable (but only recently esteemed) Mr Jones was born in Brecon in 1742. He was to have been a cleric, but forsook the call of God for the pleasures of the palette, and went to London to paint.

In 1776 he travelled to Italy where he worked with great enthusiasm but little recognition from his peers. (The 11th Earl of Pembroke, when asked to comment on Jones' talent, was moved to reply diplomatically, "In my opinion, so-so.")

Jones first came to the attention of twentieth century art historians not because of his paintings, but because of his habit of chronicling his life in uncommon detail. His memoirs remain the most comprehensive first hand account of the life of an eighteenth century artist.

His painting itself has only been viewed favourably in comparatively recent times. He was, we have discovered two hundred years on, actually rather good.

Unfortunately for Jones, recognition came too late.

He returned to London from Italy to find the works he had left in storage had been ruined. So he cut his losses, went home to Wales and saw out his remaining days as a magistrate.

However the quality of his Italian paintings, their rarity, and the provenance provided by the memoirs all combine to put the prices for Jones' work at such a high level today.

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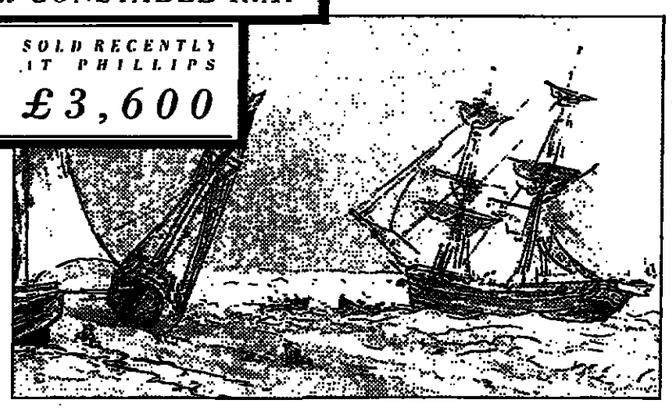
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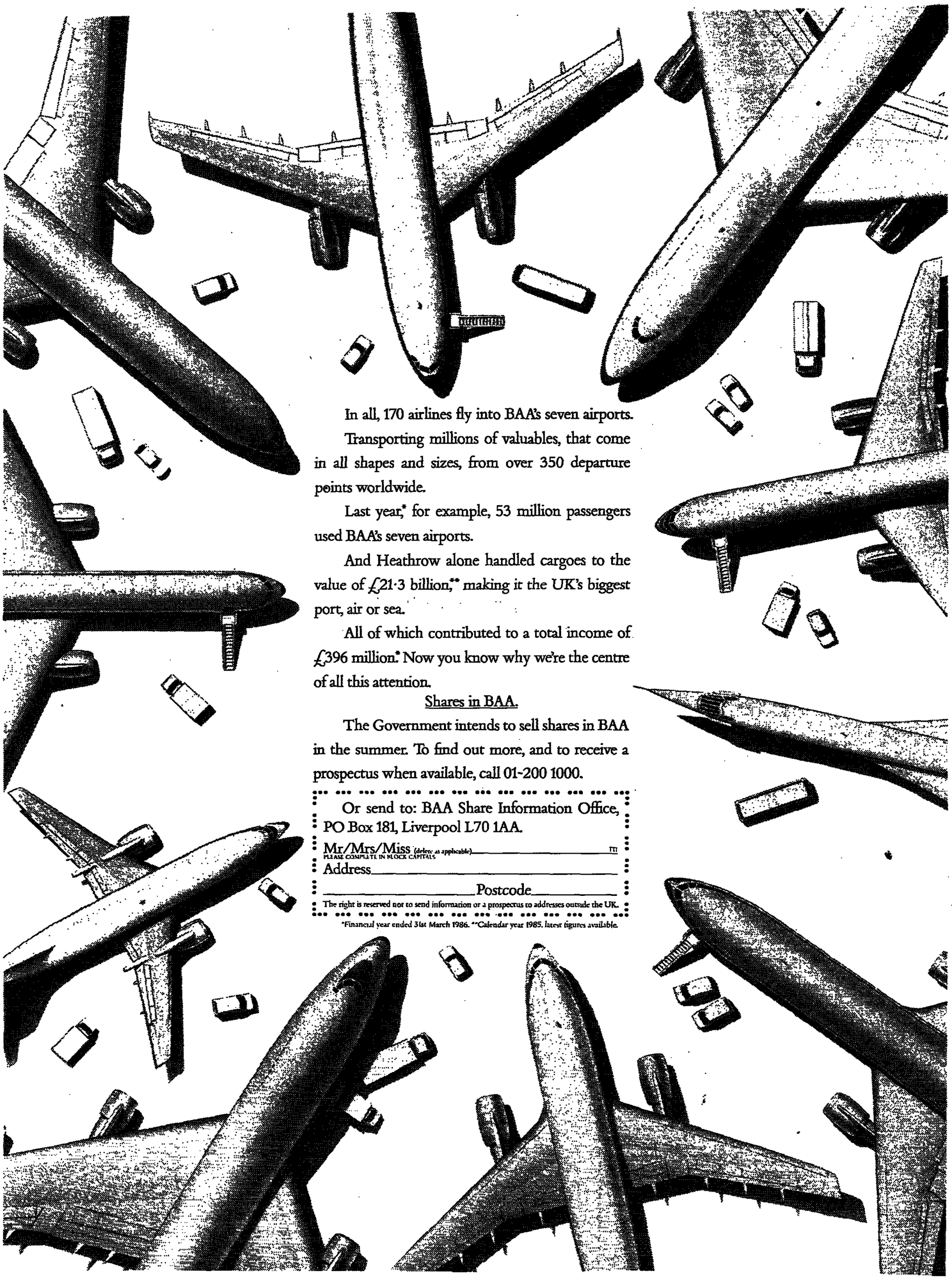
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Police try to combat fall in public's confidence

By Stewart Tendler and Richard Ford

Public satisfaction with the work of the Metropolitan Police has dropped from 72 per cent in 1982 to 66 per cent last year, and the percentage of people who said they thought the police were doing a poor or very poor job rose from 8 to 12 per cent.

The decline in confidence, disclosed in surveys for Scotland Yard, has taken place in spite of greater efforts, led by Sir Kenneth Newman, the outgoing commissioner, to improve the public perception of the Metropolitan force and reorganize it to provide a better service.

The Scotland Yard surveys were disclosed as the Royal Ulster Constabulary began taking steps to bolster morale and counter criticisms of its policing, by explaining its role and strategy directly to the public through the media.

The surveys show that Londoners want police to concentrate on low-level but unpleasant crime which directly affects the quality of life.

They are most concerned about burglaries, muggings and vandalism, but there is growing worry about walking the streets.

Four surveys taken by NOP for the Yard asked Londoners whether they thought police in their area were doing a good or a bad job. In 1982 72 per cent were positive, in 1984 the figure rose to 73 per cent, but in 1985 it fell to 69 per cent and then dropped again to 66 per cent last year.

The percentage of people who thought the police were doing a very good job was 25 per cent in 1982, the same in 1984, but 22 per cent in 1985 and 18 per cent last year.

Those who were fairly certain the police did a good job varied slightly during the four years, starting at 47 per cent, rising to 48 per cent in 1984, dropping to 47 per cent in 1985 and rising to 48 per cent last year.

The surveys also showed that many people thought crime in their areas had increased. When they were asked what they thought police should concentrate on, burglary came top of the list every year, averaging 37 per cent.

In Northern Ireland, a growing number of senior RUC officers and local commanders are appearing on news bulletins as part of a move to raise their profile.

The strategy is designed to reassure the population and rebut what many senior officers believe are deliberate attempts by politicians to distort changes in the law for their own interests.

It also has the effect of emphasizing that the leadership is not a "one man band" however forceful the personality of Sir John Hermon, its chief constable.

Six chief superintendents and eight superintendents have attended courses on media training as part of a strategy seen as essential in the aftermath of the Anglo Irish agreement.

Last year, as "loyalist" politicians attempted to undermine police morale, officers decided they needed to counter claims about their role in policing protests against the agreement.

Sir John raised his own profile, while local commanders began to be heard more frequently after terrorist attacks.

Many of the words and phrases used by officers were strikingly similar as they emphasized the disruption and danger caused to the whole community.



The dismissed YTS trainee, Leigh Sanders, working on producing clocks in his workshop, a hayloft at his home (Photograph: Michael Pollard).

Trainee becomes a victim of success

Leigh Sanders, a clockmaker, has been dismissed from a government YTS course after being branded a victim of his own success.

Leigh, aged 17, became a YTS trainee in his father's clock repairing business in Marden, near Hereford, after leaving school last Easter without a single examination pass.

His problems started when a local stud farm complained to the firm that they were unable to buy a stable clock anywhere for less than £1,000.

So Leigh came up with the answer.

He designed a 2ft tall weatherproof clock, complete with fibreglass face and aluminium hands, selling for just £275.

Other orders soon rolled in, with a Luton tool-making factory buying a clockfor its building.

Then Hereford city council accepted one of the Hereford clocks as a gift from Leigh to adorn their new £15 million shopping centre.

But now YTS organizers have told the youth to leave the scheme because he is spending too much time on his own venture and not enough being trained by his father.

The YTS programme co-ordinator, Mrs Zelma Williams, said yesterday: "There was nothing nasty about it because he has found a market there and a good product but we can't have people who are effectively self-employed on a Youth Training Scheme.

Welsh TUC in mood for breakaway

By Roland Rudd

The TUC could be heading for a confrontation with its Welsh counterpart when its inner cabinet, the general finance purposes committee meets in London today to decide the fate of the Wales TUC's demand for more autonomy.

Mr George Wright, general secretary of the Welsh Transport and General Workers' Union, has warned the national TUC that the door will be open for a Welsh unilateral declaration of independence if its demand is not met.

Support for an independent Welsh TUC is gaining ground. Motions calling for autonomy were passed overwhelmingly at both the 1985 and 1986 conferences. Welsh union leaders are now pushing to implement that policy with a greater determination.

A Welsh delegation recently met the inner cabinet to try to win agreement on changing the rules governing their relationship.

But its basic demands, for greater determination to pick its agendas, to become involved within the TUC national disputes procedure and to legitimize the international role of the Welsh TUC, were given a cool reception.

Many senior union leaders see no political logic in fragmenting their power across different regions which are run by the same government.

Mr Norman Willis, TUC general secretary, is thought to be particularly unimpressed with the Welsh case.

At this year's Wales TUC conference, to be held at Tenby later this month, the TGWU will put forward a motion in favour of a separate Welsh diputes procedure so that the Wales TUC can form its own disciplinary procedure for dealing with inter-union disputes in general, and particularly the EEPTU —the electricians' union which is accused of poaching members from other unions through its no-strike deals.

The TUC has not ignored the Welsh demands. But nor will it agree to them today.

Although Mr David Jenkins, general secretary of the Wales TUC, is confident of a satisfactory outcome, the TUC nationally will not budge in refusing the Welsh a national disputes procedure.

It is also unlikely that the TUC would be willing to cede the Welsh demands for separate international links.

Job Training Scheme: 1

Hope revived for those who saw no prospect of work

The Government formally launches the Job Training Scheme (JTS) tomorrow to help the long-term unemployed. The scheme will offer work experience through a network of established industries, reskilling the unskilled and giving them a fairer chance in the job market. In the first of two articles, ***Ronald Faux****, Employment Affairs Correspondent, visits Dundee, an unemployment black spot.*

A group of 20 men and women at the Workstart project in Dundee were listening patiently to the training officer as he outlined the latest plan to get them a job. It was clear from their faces that any hope was tempered by scepticism.

At least someone, they sensed, was trying to do something positive but was this, as the Dundee city council insisted it was, just an attempt to massage the figures and decant people off the register?

Five of the men had not worked for more than 10 years. They were raising teenage families on social security and had long since despaired of ever working again. They lacked skills of any kind.

The pilot project of the Job Training Scheme in Dundee has quickly shown what the new service can achieve and what serious obstacles will be expected.

Half the 115 people who volunteered after their Restart interviews have been out of work for more than a year.

The pattern emerging is that a third of them had stopped trying to get a job although they were perfectly able. For another third, their skills were rusty and their image and confidence required a spot of professional polish. They would benefit from working alongside someone in an office or workshop.

The remaining third formed the most difficult in the labour market. Some had even been rejected at interviews in the job creation system. They needed what the careers service calls "caring placements" and Dundee is crying out for at least 500 such places in industry.

So far fewer than 60 firms in the city have agreed to co-operate by offering JTS places. The local authority, which could be an enormous source of support, is openly hostile because it sees a threat to the trade unions. It also rejects the scheme on political grounds: Dundee city council is staunchly Labour.

A training officer admitted: "It is difficult having two adults working side by side, one getting the union rate for the job and the other £39 a week JTS allowance". Mr Andy Hugman, chief executive of Workstart Ltd, a managing agent for JTS in Dundee, said: "The initial assessment interview helps them look again at what they have to offer".

The Manpower Services Commission, which finances the scheme jointly with industry, has two concerns about the scheme. The first is that the quality of training should be high. It also wants the scheme to remain voluntary, with support from both sides of industry.

Some experience of the Dundee pilot project is encouraging. Only five of the original 115 JTS volunteers dropped out because they thought the scheme a waste of time.

Another dozen had found work in the city within the first six months as a direct result of JTS. For more than a dozen others the scheme may have helped their success in getting a job.

For the rest, most accept that their best chance of escaping the unemployment queue will be through retraining and work experience.

Tomorrow: Liverpool

Tax deal on painting

Museums' anger at decision

By Geraldine Norman, Sale Room Correspondent

A controversy has arisen in the board room of the Museums and Galleries Commission over the way the John Constable masterpiece, "The Young Waltonians", was wafted from the walls of an historic home in Northamptonshire to the walls of the National Gallery without the commissioners' assistance.

The deal put a valuation of £10 million on the picture. At the time, before the sale of Van Gogh's "Sunflowers", that was the highest price on record for any painting.

It took just three weeks for the deal to go through, from the offer of the painting to the nation to the announcement in the Commons by Mr Richard Luce, Minister for the Arts, that it had been accepted in lieu of tax.

It usually takes six to nine months for the government machinery to grind through a decision of that sort. Three weeks is a record for speed.

Inevitably, corners were cut, which is why the commissioners are angry. They are reported to have held a stormy meeting in Liverpool last Friday and to be contemplating further protest.

The correct procedure for offering a work of art in lieu of tax is for the owners to submit a formal offer to the Capital Taxes Office.

It is then referred to the Museums and Galleries Commission, whose task is to advise the Minister for the Arts on the valuation and which museum it should go to. The decision is up to the minister and his staff at the Office of Arts and Libraries.

In this case Christie's, which was acting as advisers to the owners of the picture, cut the first corner by avoiding the Capital Taxes Office and going straight to the Museums and Galleries Commission.

The picture came from the distinguished collection of British paintings formed in the 1940s by the late Sir Reginald Macdonald-Buchanan at Cottesbrooke in Northamptonshire.

Backed by a great whisky fortune, he could afford masterpieces: Stubbs's "Gimcrack" is another of them.

The death of his widow on February 12 left the family with a huge tax bill which has to be sorted out fast to avoid paying interest on the debt.

Christie's emphasized the need for speed when it made the offer, pointing out that the alternative was to auction the painting this summer.

The chairman of the Museums and Galleries Commission apparently went straight to Mr Luce, and gave advice without consulting his board, although he did check the valuation with the director of the National Gallery, and the Keeper of British Pictures at the Tate.

As a result, accusations are flying. Christie's has been wrongly accused — by *The Times*, among others — of withdrawing an offer of Van Gogh's "Sunflowers" to the nation because an offer of the Constable looked more advantageous.

In fact, it had been instructed to auction the "Sunflowers" on February 9 and Lady Macdonald-Buchanan died on February 12; the issues were not connected.

More pertinently, some commissioners feel that an irresponsibly high valuation was endorsed and that the picture should have gone to the provinces, as opposed to London, which is rich in Constables. But mostly, they are outraged that a decision was taken in their name without consultation.

Mr Luce said yesterday that he had the utmost confidence in Professor Brian Morris, chairman of the Museums and Galleries Commission, whom he had asked to move with speed.

By and large, the machinery for acceptance of works of art in lieu of tax was working well, he said. But he was open to proposals for refining the procedures to facilitate the commission's advice being given speedily.

Long wait for by-pass roads

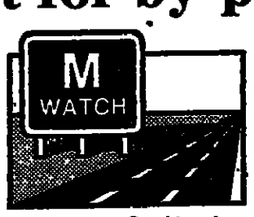
By Rodney Cowton
Transport Correspondent

More than 600 communities in Britain are still waiting for by-pass roads to alleviate traffic problems, and many may still be waiting at the end of the century, according to a survey by the British Road Federation.

The latest survey deals with projects in the metropolitan districts of the big conurbations. It says there are 60 by-pass schemes in these areas. There are another 600 schemes in the shire counties.

But Mr Peter Witt, director of the federation, says that the levels of funding planned for the next few years are not enough to prevent planned starting dates slipping back.

Major roadworks until next week:



London and the South-east

M11 London: large roadworks continue at Redbridge roundabout.
M25 Essex: widening work at junction 31 roundabout.
M2 Kent: resurfacing at junction 4 (Gillingham).
M2/A2 Kent: resurfacing at Cobham intersection. Contraflow system.
M20 Kent: reconstruction work near junction 7 (A249 Maidstone). Outside lane closed.
M275 Hampshire: flyover construction between junction with M27 and Rudmore roundabout, Portsmouth.
M40 Oxfordshire: lane closures in both directions between junctions 6 and 7.

Midlands

M5 Hereford and Worcester: one lane open southbound and two northbound between junctions 5 and 6 (Droitwich/Worcester North). Also, the southbound entry slip at junction 5 and the southbound exit slip at junction 6 are closed. Lane restrictions and some overnight carriageway closures between junctions 4 and 8 (Bromsgrove/M50).
M6 Warwickshire: lane closures between junction 2 and 3.

North

M63 Barton Bridge, Greater Manchester: widening continues with long delays.
M63 Greater Manchester: construction of flyover at Portwood roundabout, Stockport.
M66 Greater Manchester: contraflow for resurfacing between junctions 2 and 4 (Bury/M62).
M6 Lancashire: resurfacing work between junctions 31 and 32 (A59/M55).
M6 Cumbria: contraflow between junctions 41 and 42 (Wigton/Carlisle). Delays.
M56 Cheshire: large roadworks between junctions 7 and 9 (Altrincham/M6).

Wales and the West

M5 Gloucestershire: various lane closures in both directions between junctions 9 and 12 (Tewkesbury/Gloucester).
M5 Somerset: outside lane closed in both directions between junctions 25 and 26.

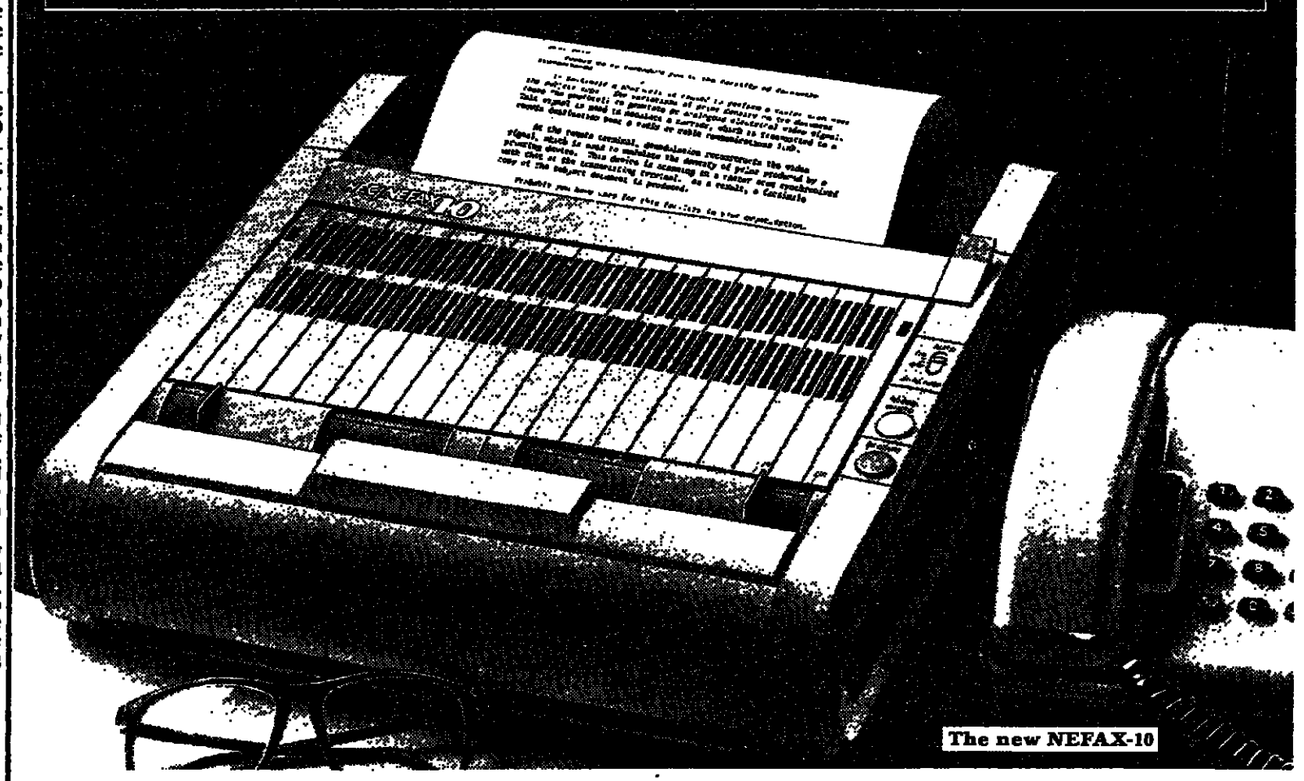
Scotland

M8 Glasgow: outside lane closed eastbound between junctions 17 and 15 (Dumbarton/Townhead).
M90 Tayside: various lane closures in both directions between junctions 4 and 11 (Kelty/A9).
M85 Tayside: outside lane closed northbound.

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WORLD SUMMARY

Surrogate mother may visit Baby M

New York — New Jersey judges have allowed Mrs Mary Beth Whitehead, the "surrogate" mother of the one-year-old girl known as Baby M, to visit her daughter while the Appeal Court decides whether to confirm a ruling that gave custody to the father (Charles Bremner writes). Mrs Whitehead, who contracted to bear the baby for Mr William Stern, was stripped of all parental rights in a controversial ruling by a judge two weeks ago.

The New Jersey Supreme Court, which is not due to hear the full appeal until September, ruled in a 6-1 decision that Mrs Whitehead could have one two-hour visit each week with her child. "She will be home again, I feel it in my heart," Mrs Whitehead said at the weekend.

Hundreds flee fumes

Pittsburgh (AFP) — Fourteen people were taken to hospital with breathing problems and more than 1,500 others were evacuated when a tanker car from a derailed train began leaking chemical fumes here early yesterday.

The residents were roused from their sleep and evacuated by police as fumes began escaping from the tanker car, one of 34 freight wagons, on the derailed train.

The derailment occurred when two cars of a Chicago-bound train carrying paper goods jumped the tracks and smashed into a freight train travelling in the opposite direction.

Nuclear hitch

Pierrelatte, France (AP) — A leak of corrosive and slightly radioactive uranium hexafluoride gas shut down production yesterday at the Pierrelatte-Tricastin nuclear fuel plant, with a very small quantity escaping into the atmosphere.

Officials said that there was no danger from the escaped gas, which dispersed very quickly. They said it was an industrial chemical accident, not a nuclear incident. Seven workers were slightly injured in dealing with the leak.

The gas is produced in an early stage in the conversion of mineral uranium to nuclear power plant fuel.

Van Gogh buyer row

Tokyo — Japan's Finance Ministry has reprimanded Yasuda Fire and Marine Insurance Company for its "ostentatious and excessive" display of wealth in buying Van Gogh's "Sunflowers" for £24.75 million (David Watts writes).

The ministry may no longer regulate such foreign currency transactions, but the bureaucrats felt that the purchase was inappropriate with unemployment rising and industry under strong pressure because of the yen's rapid rise in value. Japanese tradition decrees that excessive shows of wealth are in bad taste: a businessman who makes that kind of demonstration has probably been taking too much profit.

Last year, Japan imported £250 million-worth of Western art, twice the total for 1985.

11 hurt in shooting

New York — Eleven men were wounded, one of them critically, when a gunman raked a crowd with automatic fire as they were leaving an all-night dance in a Washington hall (Charles Bremner writes).

Police said that a fight broke out among the crowd of about 1,000 people on Saturday in the predominantly black north west district of the city. The unidentified man emerged from a car and fired indiscriminately.

Beirut hit by blasts

Beirut (Reuter) — Two bombs exploded within minutes of each other in Christian east Beirut yesterday, injuring at least 13 people.

Police said the blasts, which damaged a dozen cars and a score of shops in the Dora district, came from two bombs planted in one car. Butthe Christian Voice of Lebanon radio reported an army bomb disposal expert as saying the explosions came from two cars 15 yards apart.

Portuguese pledge



Peking (AP) — Professor Anibal Cavaco Silva, left, the Portuguese Prime Minister, pledged yesterday that his Government would protect the stability of Macao as it prepares for the handover to Chinese rule in 1999.

Professor Cavaco Silva is the first Lisbon head of government to visit China. He signs the agreement with China today returning Macao 442 years after it was settled by Portuguese.

Warhol accusation

New York — The New York state Health Department has accused the hospitals that treated Andy Warhol, the pop artist who died two days after gall-bladder surgery, of failing to give him adequate care in the days before his death (Charles Bremner writes).

"The proper quality of medical care and treatment was not maintained in the case," the department said in a report that followed a month-long investigation into the February 22 death of the artist at the age of 58 after surgery at the New York Hospital Cornell Medical Centre.

Shadow of violence mars Malta rallies

From Richard Beeston, Valletta

Malta's socialists and Christian Democrats turned out in their thousands yesterday as the campaign for next month's general election entered its final lap in a festival atmosphere shadowed by the threat of political violence.

The governing Malta Labour Party and the opposition Nationalist Party held rival rallies in two villages, after party officials agreed to try to keep their supporters apart in order to prevent a repetition of the previous Sunday's shooting incidents, which left two Nationalist supporters seriously injured.

However, at a Labour Party march in the village of Siggiewi, one Nationalist supporter was beaten up by 200 young socialists, several of them armed with pistols. Police intervened and the man managed to escape, but there were fears that similar incidents would occur later at bigger rallies in the villages of Naxxar and Masta, where several thousand people assembled.

By the weekend the Prime Minister, Dr Carmelo Mifsud Bonnici, and the Opposition leader, Dr Eddie Fenech Adami, had launched their party manifestos and selected candidates for the May 9 election.

However, electioneering on this highly politicized island has already been running for several months in what is generally regarded as the country's most divisive election since independence 23 years ago.

Although political rallies in Malta are as much an excuse for the party faithful to enjoy a day out with their families as to approve party policies, the current campaign is proving to be one of the hardest fought.

Traditionally, the socialists have derived their support from working-class areas of Malta's more industrialized southern half, while the Nationalist stronghold has tended to be in the more rural north.

The Malta Labour Party can also draw on the support of the biggest trade union on the island, the General Workers' Union, which has been co-opted into the party, while the Nationalists can count on the influence of the Roman Catholic Church and the private sector.

According to analysts in Malta, some of the more radical policies initiated by the former Labour Prime Minister, Mr Dom Mintoff, have led to long-standing disputes with the Church and professional classes and left deep-rooted divisions in the community.

The result has led to a highly polarized society, where splits have emerged in families, villages and in many of Malta's institutions.

In the Mifsud Bonnici family, for instance, one brother is the socialist Prime Minister, another is a candidate for the Nationalists, and a third is a priest.

Although party hotheads at rallies like those held yesterday often resemble football hooligans rather than young revolutionaries, experts here believe there is a very real risk that the election could turn sour and erupt into an unprecedented wave of violence.

At the core of the problem is the fact that the island's electorate is almost divided in half between support for the two parties, which pundits believe will each receive approximately 50 per cent of the vote.

In the last election in 1981 the Nationalists won 1.8 per cent more of the votes, but received three seats less in the Assembly. After accusations of gerrymandering by the Opposition, the constitution was amended to resolve the issue.

But the Nationalists have vowed "not to let the socialists rule" if the Labour Party wins, and they are not completely satisfied that the elections were fair.

The Malta Labour Party is expected to pursue much the same course as it has for the past 16 years in power, although the style of leadership under the softly-spoken Dr Mifsud Bonnici is in contrast to the lively political performances which were the hallmark of his predecessor, Mr Mintoff, who resigned the leadership in 1984.

Dr Fenech Adami, who at 53 is the same age as his rival and shares a similar professional background as a lawyer, had led the Nationalist Party for 10 years and has staked his political career on victory.

Settlers' backlash on the West Bank

Petrol bomb blocks peace hopes

From Ian Murray
Alfei Menashe, occupied West Bank

On the road between the orange groves an ugly black scorch mark shows the spot where Mrs Ofra Moses died horribly on Saturday evening. Too late, huge army bulldozers have now smashed down the roadside cypress trees that hid the petrol bombers who set fire to her family's car.

The bulldozers were finishing work started later that night by hundreds of angry settlers who swarmed into the area when they heard the news of the death of Mrs Moses, who was pregnant, and the severe burning of her husband, Avraham, and four children who were in the car. Other groups of angry Jews invaded the nearby Arab town of Kalkilya, breaking windows and damaging cars.

The death has quickly overshadowed the angry political argument inside the coalition Government about how to achieve peace. It has also reinforced the determination of Mr Yitzhak Shamir, the Likud Prime Minister, not to surrender any of the occupied territories in peace negotiations.

Mr Shimon Peres, the Foreign Minister and Labour leader, agreed with his party chiefs before yesterday's Cabinet meeting that this was no time to engineer the fall of the Government on the peace issue. He will continue to work for a concrete proposal on a peace conference before deciding whether to challenge Mr Shamir.

Whatever happens politically, the tragic incident has strengthened the determination of the settlers to stay at this strategic rocky hillside settlement, some four miles inside the territories.

Mr Shlomo Kattan, a former army colonel and the mayor, gazed at the wide view from his small office. "From this window you can see the homes of two million Jewish people ... You can destroy Israel from this window. You can destroy the only democracy in the Middle East from this window, so the security of Israel is for us to be here."

For him there is no question of giving up the settlement as part of any negotiated peace. "It will be the end of Zionism if we leave here," he said. Only last week he picked a site for building 100 more homes. "Now we will build them. That is the Zionist answer to what happened."

He blames two factors for a marked increase in attacks on settlers' cars in recent weeks. The first is that released Palestinian prisoners have been stirring up trouble, and the second is that Mr Peres has been talking too much about calling an international conference to negotiate peace with Palestinians.

"We have always had very good relations with our Arab neighbours," he said. "We visit each other on our holidays. We shop in their towns. I think somebody wants to change things, that some of the PLO (Palestine Liberation Organization) invited to talk by Mr Peres came here to cause trouble."

The settlers are typical of those in the occupied territories. They commute to Israel to work, but live here for the tax benefits and cheap mortgages.

The petrol bombing seems to have been no more than part of the agitation throughout the territories in recent days in support of a hunger strike by Palestinian prisoners seeking political status.



A mounted riot policeman uses his horse to move on an ultra-Orthodox Jew protesting against a Jerusalem restaurant that has been trading on the Sabbath.

Pope asks world's young to work for civilization of love

From Eduardo Cue, Buenos Aires

The Pope, in the first Palm Sunday papal Mass celebrated outside the Vatican in modern times, called yesterday on the world's young people to dedicate their energies to "building the civilization of love".

The Pontiff told more than a million from a giant red, white and yellow altar on Buenos Aires's largest avenue, that only by understanding the mystery of Christ's sacrifice could mankind fulfil its divine role.

He said in his 14-minute homily on International Youth Day: "Dedicate your youthful energies to building the civilization of love. God hopes that you, the young, will be the ones to sow the seeds of peace and hope."

The 3½-hour Mass, celebrated in bright sunshine, brought together young people from around the world and was by far the largest gathering of the Pontiff's 13-day visit to Latin America.

The Pope had waited until Saturday night to refer to the former military government's war against subversion in which at least 10,000 people disappeared. "May brother never again confront brother," he told a 450,000-strong gathering. "May people never again disappear or be kidnapped. May there never be a place for hatred and violence. May the dignity of the human being always be respected."

Human rights groups had criticized him for not having spoken out more strongly against the repression of the former military government, five of whose top commanders are now serving jail sentences for human rights abuses.

Although the Pope met workers, students, industrialists, intellectuals and others separately during his visit, the Vatican said the schedule did not permit him to meet human rights activists.

The support extended by the Church hierarchy to the former military regime was directly invoked only once during the Pope's trip.

Bishop Miguel Estaban Hesayne told him in Viedma — a city on the edge of Patagonia, where the new Argentine capital is to be built — that he wanted to "ask for pardon because as a Church we have not always identified ourselves with the poor, the needy and the persecuted".

At Saturday night's youth festival, a musical and theatrical extravaganza followed by a night-long vigil, the Pope urged young people to reject drugs, sexual promiscuity, violence and greed.

He said: "Today the world more than ever needs your joy and your services, your wholesome lives and your work, your strength and your dedication, to build a new society that is more just, more fraternal, more human and more Christian: the new civilization of love dedicated to serve all people."

The Pope spoke out against divorce on several occasions during his Argentine visit, although in milder terms than those he used in Chile. The issue is especially sensitive here because the Catholic Church has carried out an aggressive campaign to defeat a divorce Bill now before the Argentine Congress.

The measure, which polls indicate is supported by 70 per cent of Argentinians, is expected to be approved shortly after the papal visit.

"True love does not exist if it is not faithful, and it cannot exist if it is not honest," the Pope said last week.

During the final weekend of his Latin American trip, the Pope met Ukranian and Polish communities in Buenos Aires and urged workers and business leaders to look beyond their narrow interests and act for the good of the national community.

Sour start for Shultz visit to Moscow

Bitter Kremlin hits out at spy 'mania'

From Christopher Walker
Moscow

Under the shadow of the bitterest Soviet-American espionage row for many years, delegations from the two superpowers today open what is being described here as their most important series of formal negotiations since the collapse of the Iceland summit last October.

Mr George Shultz, the US Secretary of State, is due to begin talking with his Soviet counterpart, Mr Eduard Shevardnadze, soon after arriving from Helsinki this morning. Provisional plans have been made for him to meet Mr Mikhail Gorbachov, the Soviet leader, tomorrow if the talks are seen to be making progress.

In the hardest-hitting comment yet made on the talks, Soviet television alleged last night that the present "spy mania" in the US was worse than the deadly disease Aids, because it spread mistrust of the Soviet Union among American political leaders.

Speaking on the popular programme *International Panorama*, Mr Igor Kudrin, an official commentator, voiced the Kremlin's determination that the talks should concentrate on arms control issues and not be superseded by discussion of the latest allegations of KGB operations inside the US Embassy.

Noting that before Mr Shultz had left Washington he had said that he wanted to talk primarily about security in the US Embassy in Moscow, Mr Kudrin told viewers: "The talks in Moscow will demonstrate how the spy mania campaign affected Mr Shultz.

"Let me only tell you that the former US Secretary of State, Henry Kissinger, demanded that the talks between Shultz and Shevardnadze be held in Helsinki instead of Moscow. The virus of spy mania is worse than Aids. The germ of mistrust and suspicion quickly affects the organisms of some American politicians with low-tolerance to anti-Sovietism."

The bizarre atmosphere surrounding the negotiations was highlighted yesterday as teams from the main US television networks staked out the embassy in the hope of catching sight of the special caravan which it has been reported may be used by Mr Shultz for secure communications with the White House.

American Embassy officials, severely embarrassed by recent revelations about the penetration of the security of the embassy building and the newer one under construction nearby have flatly refused to confirm or deny whether such a caravan will in fact be set up. "The embassy is operating in a secure mode," an embassy spokesman said. He refused to elaborate.

The first public debate between members of Congress and the Supreme Soviet, will be televised in America and the Soviet Union from April 25 (Christopher Thomas writes from Washington).

Three hours of satellite time have been booked for the first of six broadcasts on such issues as arms control, human rights, regional conflicts, health and environment. Six members of Congress travelled to the Soviet Union last week to complete details for the programmes to be called *Congressbridge*.

It is understood that, if a caravan is to be set up, it will be flown in on the special transport plane accompanying Mr Shultz's jet. This will also be carrying special kosher food for a controversial Passover dinner being served in the embassy tonight to some 80 Soviet and American Jews.

On the eve of Mr Shultz's arrival, complete with a large delegation of nearly a hundred experts, senior Soviet sources have expressed concern that allegations about embassy security could sabotage moves towards securing an agreement on eliminating medium-range missiles from Europe.

"If all Shultz wants to do is talk about Russian spies and bugging, he can save his air fare and stay at home," one official Soviet analyst told a special briefing arranged for American correspondents by the Novosti news agency. He made clear that the Kremlin was determined to focus the talks on arms control, especially the proposals unveiled by Mr Gorbachov in Prague last week for dealing with the problem of short-range missiles in Europe as part of a new set of talks.

Western experts believe that the most recent spy controversy has surfaced at a particularly bad time for the hard-pressed Kremlin leader, who sorely needs a foreign policy success to quieten domestic critics.

The Soviet side had accused Washington of using the latest stream of allegations about the bugging of the Moscow embassy and the use of female KGB agents to seduce US Marine guards as a ruse by hardliners to block progress on Mr Gorbachov's February 28 initiative for a separate deal on the medium-range missiles in Europe.

Earlier yesterday, Tass also accused President Reagan of trying to shift the blame for the latest espionage row between the superpowers. The agency was reacting scathingly to President Reagan's radio address on Saturday, in which he claimed that Soviet spying against the US Embassy in Moscow had gone too far and would be raised by Mr Shultz in his talks.

Russians complete docking in space walk

Moscow (Reuter) — The Soviet space research module Kvant was successfully docked with the orbiting station Mir yesterday during a space walk by the cosmonauts, Commander Yuri Romanenko and Commander Alexander Laveikin, Tass reported.

The crew discovered that an "alien object" inside Kvant's docking unit had prevented it from sealing hermetically with Mir. The men carried out work to allow tightening of the seal and the two spacecraft were docked by ground control under the cosmonauts' visual supervision.

"This process ... proceeded smoothly and resulted in the full joining of the module with the station," Tass said. It added that the two cosmonauts stepped out of Mir at 19.41 GMT last night for the space walk, which lasted three hours 40 minutes.

Kvant, described as a fundamentally new type of space vehicle, is Mir's first module for experimental work. Tass said its addition to Mir significantly heightened the efficiency of scientific research in space. The complex of Mir, Kvant and the Soyuz TM 2 spacecraft from which the cosmonauts boarded Mir on February 8 had a combined weight of 51 tonnes and was 35 yards long.

Kvant, launched on March 31, failed to dock successfully with Mir during two previous attempts last week. On Tuesday its directional systems malfunctioned as it approached the space station, and on Friday it failed by a few inches to dock fully with Mir.

By making the seal between the two vessels airtight, the cosmonauts will now be able to enter Kvant from Mir to begin the scientific experiments for which the module was conceived. Mir, launched in February last year, is due to become the heart of the world's first permanently manned space station.

Pretoria unworried by Mugabe MiGs

By Michael Evans, Defence Correspondent

The purchase by Zimbabwe of the Soviet Union's most sophisticated combat aircraft, the MiG 29 Fulcrum, adds a new dimension to the military balance in southern Africa but is unlikely to deter Pretoria from taking action against its northern neighbour.

The deal with Moscow includes a long-term training course for Zimbabwean pilots. According to analysts yesterday, the unexpected contract with the Russians seemed to imply that Mr Robert Mugabe, the Zimbabwe Prime Minister, genuinely feared a conventional attack by the South African Defence Force.

Yet all the indications are that President Botha is interested only in mounting hit-and-run raids against Zimbabwe to discourage the harbouring of African National Congress guerrillas.

Only last week Mr R.F. "Pik" Botha, the South African Foreign Minister, hinted at possible raids by emphasizing, during a National Party meeting before next month's election, that Pretoria would not tolerate outside interference in the lead-up to polling day.

Professor Jack Spence, an expert on southern Africa at Leicester University, said yesterday: "Angola has more sophisticated air power than the South Africans, and yet this has not stopped the Government of Pretoria from its action in the country. So I don't think the purchase of MiG 29s will deter South Africa from taking action if it feels that Zimbabwe is interfering in South African politics."

The last raid by the South African Defence Force against Zimbabwe was last summer, during the doomed visit of the Commonwealth Eminent Persons Group. The commando attack on several targets in Harare and bombing raids launched against Botswana and Zambia effectively ended the Commonwealth initiative in southern Africa.

Professor Spence said that the MiG 29 deal was a clear illustration that relations between Mr Mugabe and the Soviet Union had improved. It was not so long ago during a visit to Moscow that Mr Mugabe received what appeared to be a cold welcome from the Russians.

MILITARY STRENGTH OF SOUTHERN AFRICAN STATES

	Armed forces	Combat aircraft
South Africa	106,400	372
Angola	50,000	136
(+ 27,000 Cubans)		
Botswana	3,000	5
Malawi	5,250	None
Mozambique	15,800	69
Tanzania	40,350	29
Zambia	16,200	43
Zimbabwe	42,000	49

(Source: *Military Balance*, International Institute for Strategic Studies.)

Prague will keep the lid on despite Gorbachov

From Richard Bassett, Prague

Mr Mikhail Gorbachov, the Soviet leader, left the Slovak capital of Bratislava on Saturday in no doubt that his three-day official visit to Czechoslovakia had been a spectacular media success.

The pictures of thousands of young Czechoslovaks waving Soviet flags are images which those who remember the wave of anti-Russian feeling that followed the 1968 invasion are unlikely to forget.

Whatever the interpretation placed on Mr Gorbachov's long policy speech of Friday, his brief presence in Prague and Bratislava were welcome glimpses of a commodity which has been scarce in Czechoslovakia for the last 19 years — inspired political leadership.

Few who watched him expected to see any grand gestures, such as meeting members of the opposition or the officially outcast leader of the 1968 Prague Spring, Mr Alexander Dubcek.

But throughout his three-day tour, he personified an energy and capacity for change which was thrown into sharp relief alongside the increasingly grey and aged-looking Czechoslovak leader, President Gustav Husak.

Those who remain the focus of the Government's security forces here can be under no illusions.

The Roman Catholics, who yesterday on Palm Sunday worshipped in Prague's Teyn Church, saw the familiar sight of secret policemen scrutinizing faces as they entered.

The Jazz Section, whose chairman, Mr Karel Srp, was sentenced to 18 months' imprisonment in March, is still, despite the judges' widely published sympathies for its activities, a banned organization whose members face increasing police interrogation.

During last month's trial, those who attended the court to show their solidarity with Mr Srp were filmed by the secret police. Armed now with photographs as well as questions, they have stepped up their questioning.

Among their tireless demands is the sinister insistence on knowing who wishes to reconstitute the section legally. The members believe that they will not be allowed in the future to regroup legally, and cite this question as evidence of the Government's hostility towards them.

The recent removal of the Section's monument to the foundation of the United Nations underlines the limits of *glasnost* (openness) in the hierarchy of the security machine here.

The monument, with its innocuous message, was erected in a remote suburb of Prague in 1985.

That it should be dismantled illustrates a heavy-handedness on the part of the bureaucracy, whose thinking is so far unaffected by any of Mr Gorbachov's reforms.

While it will be comparatively easy to initiate the Soviet leader's economic reforms in what has always been traditionally Central Europe's most industrial country, the transition to an acceptable level of tolerance of dissent will be far harder to achieve.

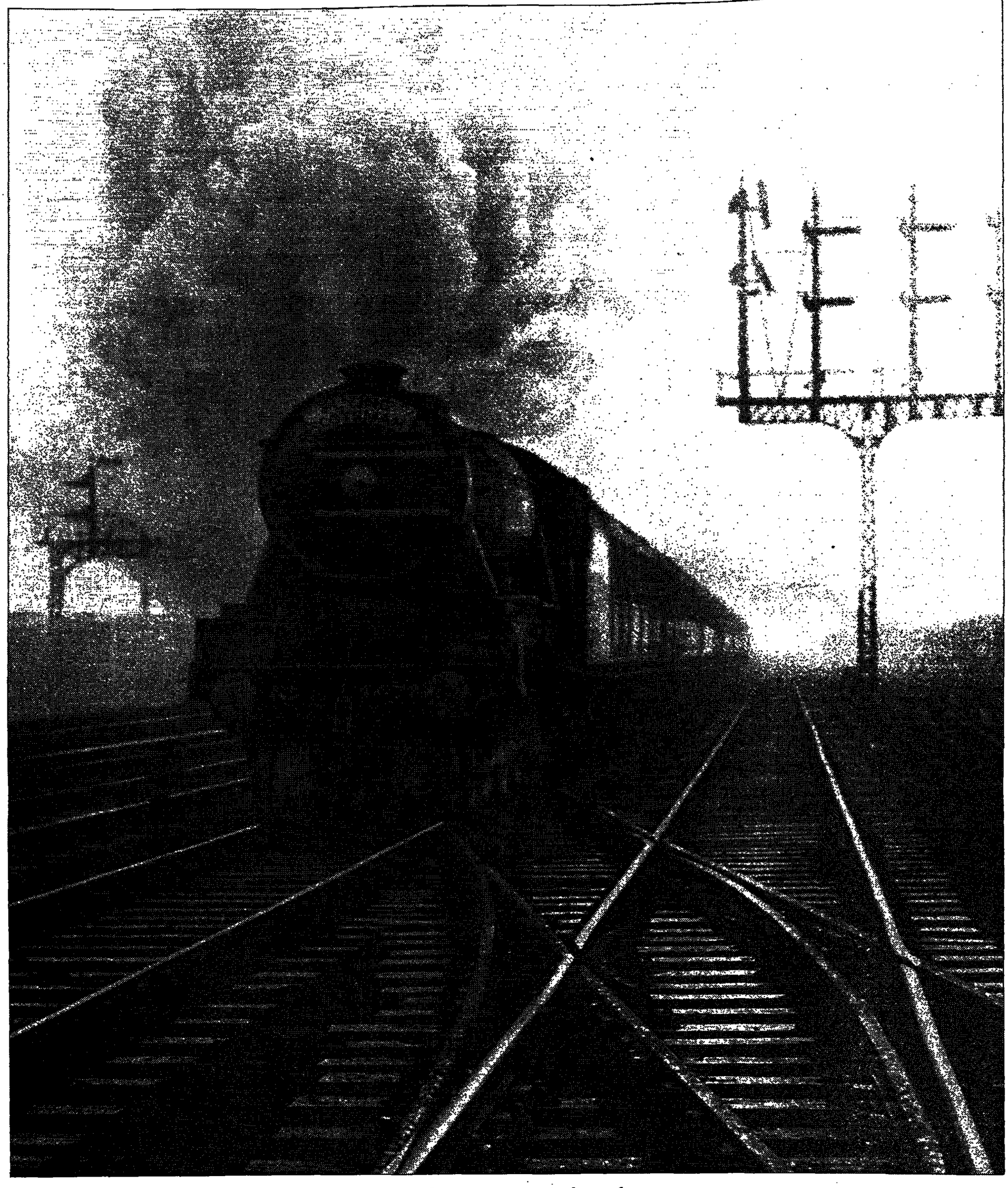
If any bargain was struck by Mr Husak with Mr Gorbachov, it seems probable that willingness to change on one front was proffered in return for inflexibility on another.

Economic reforms here would allow, as Mr Gorbachov carefully noted in his speech, socialism to benefit from one of the most successful economies in Eastern Europe.

But no doubt Mr Husak, during the "exchange of experiences" Mr Gorbachov referred to last Friday, warned him that economic reforms, unless accompanied by a tight rein internally, could produce a repetition of 1968.

Meanwhile, reform in Czechoslovakia can only mean change with the lid firmly on, and for many Czechoslovaks Mr Gorbachov's visit, however welcome, will not have changed their day-to-day relations with the state.

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Delhi political storm forces defence chief to resign

From Michael Hamlyn, Delhi

Mr V.P. Singh, India's Defence Minister, who has been at the centre of a growing storm, resigned yesterday. Mr Rajiv Gandhi, the Prime Minister, was under increasing pressure recently to dismiss him, as the so-called "Fairfax affair" and its associated controversies continue to reverberate through Delhi's political circles.

Mr Singh made a prominent name for himself as the rigidly incorruptible scourge of tax dodgers while Finance Minister, but was suddenly moved to defence two months ago for reasons which have still not been fully explained.

Yesterday also saw the public emergence of what has hitherto been only privately mentioned when newspapers pointed out that the whole imbroglio, which is shaking the Congress Government to its foundations and threatening the position of the Prime Minister, arises out of an industrial war between two textile companies. In this the two companies have used political influence, and press manipulation as weapons.

Mr V.P. Singh, who was abruptly moved from the Finance Ministry while he was in the middle of his budget preparations, is seen as the target of the judicial inquiry which the Government set up last week to discover in what circumstances the Fairfax Group, an American detective agency, was appointed to investigate funds that may or may not have been illegally disbursed by Indian companies.

Mr Singh announced an inquiry into allegations that a middleman earned as much as 300 million rupees (£15 million) from a defence contract.



Mr Singh: replaced yesterday by Mr Krishna Chandra Pant, aged 56, former Minister of Steel and Mines, the Press Trust of India said.

Though the contract in question is reported to be for the purchase of West German submarines — which was signed during Mrs Indira Gandhi's rule — the inquiry was seen as an attack on the integrity of the Prime Minister, since its scope was wide enough to include other defence contracts, including a huge one for the Swedish 155 mm Bofors gun, which was pushed through by Mr Gandhi as Defence Minister.

The sum is so large as to arouse speculation that it could not have been simply to enrich some entrepreneur but must have been to provide funds for the Congress Party itself.

Mr Singh was accused of disloyalty, of failing to consult his Cabinet colleagues or the Prime Minister, and of vindictiveness. Yesterday's papers were full of unattributed reports that "heavy pressure" was being put on Mr Gandhi by Cabinet and Congress leaders to drop him.

Also reported for the first time is a detailed history of the war which has been carried on between the Reliance group of companies, under the generalship of their chairman, Mr Dhirubhai Ambani, and Bombay Dyeing under Mr Nusli Wadia.

The war, which began more than 10 years ago over licences to produce man-made fibre thread for India's vast textile industry, culminated in a battle for survival by the Reliance group, which saw its share price forced down and a stock issue almost ruined. In battling to recover, Mr Ambani made use of non-resident Indian funds, and since then a series of inquiries have persisted about their source.

A series of astonishingly detailed articles in the *Indian Express*, the biggest-circulation English-language newspaper in the country, accused Reliance of a number of irregularities and actual frauds. The articles under the byline of S. Gurumurthy, financial adviser to Mr Ramnath Goenka, the paper's owner, plainly drew on government documents, and the paper apparently also retained the services of the Fairfax Group to help its inquiries.

Last month the *Indian Express* published the dramatic letter from Giani Zail Singh, the Indian President, to the Prime Minister, which accused Mr Gandhi of lying to Parliament. The next day Mr Goenka's Delhi home was raided by police, and Mr Gurumurthy was arrested and held in jail for 10 days.

This was defended by the junior Finance Minister, Mr Brahm Dutt, in Parliament.

Left coalition takes over Fiji

Suva (Reuter) — A left-leaning coalition which has pledged a non-aligned foreign policy took power yesterday in Fiji from the staunchly pro-Western party that had ruled since independence from Britain in 1970.

Political sources said the election would have a significant effect throughout the South Pacific and the victory could radically change Fiji's foreign policy.

Coalition leaders said during the campaign they would adopt a strictly non-aligned foreign policy and would ban visits by US nuclear warships. They also said they would not allow the Soviet Union to open an embassy in Suva.

The coalition, made up of the Indian-backed National Federation Party and the multi-racial Labour Party, won 28 of the 52 seats in the House of Representatives in the general election.

The right-wing Alliance Party, mainly backed by indigenous Fijians, won 24 seats. In the outgoing Parliament, the Alliance held 29 seats, the NFP 21 and Labour two.

Fijians are slightly outnumbered by Indians, who make up 51 per cent of the total population of 800,000.

The coalition leader, Dr Timoci Bavadra, told supporters he would name his Cabinet in the next few days, pending an invitation from the Governor-General, Ratu Sir Penaia Ganilau, to form the next government.

In a broadcast to the nation, Dr Bavadra said the coalition was united and ready to take over the reins of government from the Alliance Party, headed by Ratu Sir Kamisese Mara.

The coalition's manifesto promised to work for peaceful solutions to the independence struggle of "the people of Kanaky (New Caledonia), West Papua and those under French colonial rule in Polynesia". It had no nationalization plans and would encourage foreign investment.



Dr Timoci Bavadra, left, Fiji's coalition leader, receiving congratulations in Suva on his general election victory.

Sir Joh's new party adds knot to tangle

From Stephen Taylor
Sydney

The self-destructive muddle which the Australian opposition has got itself into deepened at the weekend with the announcement by Sir Joh Bjelke-Petersen, the Premier of Queensland, that he was forming a new party.

The latest confusion concerns how many Canberra MPs, if any, will be following the lead offered by Sir Joh, whose three-month campaign to hijack the opposition had been running out of steam.

On Friday the Queensland branch of the National Party finally ordered its 12 MPs to abandon their coalition with the larger of the two opposition parties, Mr John Howard's Liberals.

This split would theoretically leave Sir Joh as leader of the breakaway 12 MPs constituting his "New National Party" and the remaining 14 Nationals, who come from other states, still under the federal leadership of Mr Ian Sinclair and in partnership with the Liberals.

But it emerged yesterday that some of the Queensland 12 had not been advised or consulted by Sir Joh about his new party, and that at least two of them were unhappy about this presumption — despite the implicit threat to their endorsements.

Actor defies Sikh death threats

Amritsar (Reuter) — Mr Sunil Dutt, the Indian film star and member of Parliament, defying death threats from Sikh extremists, walked into this Sikh holy city yesterday after leading a gruelling march across north India seeking peace in Punjab.

Hundreds of police armed with sub-machine-guns ringed the actor and politician as he ended a 1,250-mile march from India's film capital of Bombay.

Extremists fighting for a separate Sikh homeland in Punjab have threatened to kill him if he carries out his declared intention of entering the Golden Temple, Sikhdom's holiest shrine, today.



Mr Sunil Dutt: peace march to holy city of Amritsar.

Mr Dutt, aged 54, has ignored the threat, saying no true Sikh would harm him. He said he planned to pray at the Harminder Sahib shrine inside the temple complex, where extremists move freely. The state government has said it cannot guarantee his safety inside the temple.

Hundreds of Sikhs and Hindus joined the march as Mr Dutt and his supporters walked into the city behind a Jeep fitted with a light machine-gun.

"Now I am beginning to feel tired," said Mr Dutt, who developed jaundice and blisters on the march.

Mr Dutt, star of more than 100 films and an MP since 1985, set off from Bombay on January 26 in an attempt to bring peace to Punjab, where separatist violence claims an average of two deaths a day.

Farmers stopped tilling their fields along Punjab's Grand Trunk Road and women ran from thatched huts to touch Mr Dutt's feet, as if he were a Hindu holy man.

He wore a loose, homespun shirt and baggy pants, and carried a bamboo stick for the trek across the burning plains of north-west India, emulating Mahatma Gandhi's barefoot crusade to stop Hindu-Muslim killings in West Bengal 40 years ago.

Dissent at Peking congress

Security minister loses his post

From Robert Grieves, Hong Kong

The current session of China's National People's Congress ended at the weekend with the replacement of the Minister of Public Security and the rare casting of dissenting votes against some measures proposed by the Communist Party leadership.

Mr Ruan Chongwu, aged 57, head of the Ministry of Public Security, was transferred to a less important post, as were two other officials, Mr Cui Yueli, aged 67, China's Health Minister, and Mr Yang Bo, aged 66, Minister of Light Industry.

Mr Ruan is a close friend of Mr Hu Yaobang, who was sacked as party General Secretary last January. Mr Ruan had been criticized within the party for being too lenient towards student protesters who staged demonstrations for democracy across China in December and January.

Mr Ruan's removal from the top security post had been predicted last week by Hong Kong's pro-Peking newspaper, *Wen Hui Bao*.

A Soviet-trained engineer, who once served as a diplomat in West Germany and as senior deputy mayor of Shanghai, Mr Ruan was named to head the Public Security Bureau in September 1985.

During his tenure as chief of the bureau, Mr Ruan won admirers in the central Government for launching a campaign against serious crime that resulted in a sharp increase in prosecutions. But his party allies seem unable to help him hang on to his job in the wake of recent criticisms of his lenient handling of student dissenters.

At the weekend Mr Ruan was appointed deputy chief of the State Council's Science and Technology Commission, which is guided by China's senior Deputy Prime Minister, Mr Li Peng.

The new public security 1979-1980 of Jiang Qing, the widow of Mao Tse-tung, who is serving a life sentence in a Peking prison for attempting to seize power illegally.

A native of Shandong province and a political commissar in the Communist army before 1949, Mr Wang served as director of the Hang Zhou city public security bureau, head of Zhejiang province's public security department, and a deputy governor of Zhejiang.

During the congress's closing session at the weekend the 2,700 delegates were asked to vote 11 times on various resolutions. On seven of those issues, a total of 130 negative votes was recorded.

The strongest opposition, 50 votes, was registered in reaction to a proposal from Mr Zhao Ziyang, China's Prime Minister and acting party General Secretary, that Mr Li Tieying, the former Minister of Electronics Industry, be appointed to replace Mr Zhao as head of the State Council's commission for restructuring China's economic system.

The commission is an important reformist think-tank that has been guided directly by Mr Zhao. Mr Li is said to be committed to the reforms inaugurated by Mr Deng Xiaoping eight years ago.

The proposal, which was passed by the congress, was viewed as a way to lighten the workload of Mr Zhao, who has said that the responsibilities associated with both the Prime Minister's post and the position of party General Secretary are almost too much for one man to carry.

The congress, which convened on March 25, passed the Portuguese accord on the future of Macao, but declined to consider reforms concerning management of state-run factories, a national bankruptcy law, or provisions that would have underwritten self-governing village committees in the rural areas.

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Tutu to challenge Pretoria ban from pulpit

From Michael Hornsby, Johannesburg

Archbishop Desmond Tutu, the head of the Anglican Church in southern Africa, has announced he is going to challenge today a new legal gag imposed by the South African Government on opposition to detention without trial, the latest in a series of moves by Pretoria on security issues in the run-up to the whites-only election on May 6.

"Immediately I heard of this quite scandalous restriction, I said we are organizing a church service for Monday in which we will do what we have always done and pray for the release of detainees, and let the authorities do what they want to do," Archbishop Tutu declared.

The church service is due to be held at lunchtime today in St George's Cathedral in Cape Town and will be seen as the first test of how the Government intends to interpret the new regulations which, on the face of it, appear to outlaw almost any form of protest against detention without trial or support for those detained.

Mrs Helen Suzman, the veteran civil rights campaigner of the opposition Progressive Federal Party, said yesterday that she would not be silenced either by the new curb. "I will continue to speak out against detention without trial as I have always done ever since the first 90-day detention law was introduced in 1963."

The main target of the new regulation would appear to be the Detainees' Parents Support Committee (DPSC), which has managed to keep the issue of detention without trial in the public eye by organizing protest meetings and campaigns, and also by keeping records of the detained.

A leading spokesman for the DPSC, Dr Max Coleman, said yesterday that the organization had taken legal advice and believed that the validity of the new decree was contestable in the courts. "We will be bringing an action before the Supreme Court, probably later this week."

The decree defines "detainees" as those held under the sweeping powers granted to the police by the State of Emergency in force since June 12 1986 and under sections 28 and 29 of the Internal Security Act, a permanent feature of the law.

The DPSC estimates that as many as 25,000 people have been detained for varying periods under the emergency.

The new restriction, promulgated on Friday by the Commissioner of Police, General Johan Coetzee, makes it an offence, liable to a maximum punishment of 10 years in jail or a fine of 20,000 rands (£6,150), to incite or encourage members of the public to commit the following acts:

- "the signing of, subscribing to, or other act in support of a petition or document calling for the release of detainees or "in which the detention of the said persons or person is protested against or disapproved";
- "the calling, either orally, in writing, by telegram or in any other way whatsoever, upon the Government or upon a member or representative of the Government to release the said persons or person from such detention;"
- "The wearing in public of a sticker or any article of clothing or the exhibition in public of a poster or sticker depicting a slogan protesting against or disapproving of detention or calling for detainees' release;
- "The attending of any gathering" held to protest against detention or in support of the release of detainees, and the "performance of any act as a symbolic token of solidarity with or in honour of the said persons or person."

Church services are not specifically referred to in the new regulations, but it is argued that services which included prayers for the release of detainees – at any rate, if spoken aloud – could be covered by them.

General Coetzee's fiat is further striking evidence that the Government is much more worried about the election threat from extreme right-wing parties, which are always quick to pounce on any sign of weakness, than it is about the PFP and independent candidates.

Latest decree tightens controls still further

Johannesburg – The latest decree derives from the State of Emergency declared by President Botha on June 12 1986, which gave police wide-ranging powers to arrest without warrant, detain without trial, and take any other action deemed necessary for security (Michael Hornsby writes).

The June 12 proclamation also prohibited filming or sound recording of riots, public disturbances and other forms of unrest and police counter-action. It also introduced the concept of a "subversive statement", which it is illegal either to make or to report.

On September 3 1986 the Commissioner of Police issued new regulations tightening the definition of "unrest" and extending the ban on unauthorized reporting of police or security force action to press journalists. In addition, all journalists were forbidden from being "on the scene, or at a place within sight of any unrest, restricted gathering or security action".

On December 11 Mr Botha expanded the definition of "subversive statements", and banned all reporting of funerals of people killed in unrest, politically inspired boycotts, alternative township structures (such as "street committees" and "people's courts") and various kinds of civil disobedience.

The provisions also prohibited reporting of the circumstances in which detainees were arrested and their treatment in detention, but were much more limited in their scope than the regulations announced last Friday.

Botha's tough line

By Andrew McEwen, Diplomatic Correspondent

With just more than three weeks to go to the whites-only election in South Africa, President Botha yesterday defended his policies robustly, giving no hint of any move towards liberalism.

In a wide-ranging radio interview, he said he could not foresee a Westminster-style system with a black majority government in South Africa, nor a black President leading a government which included a large number of black ministers.

His interview with Radio Four's *World This Weekend* was recorded just before the tightening of emergency legislation to outlaw public appeals and prayers for the release of those detained without trial.

President Botha said that apartheid had never been intended to mean the domination of one group by another, but added: "I am not prepared to sacrifice my rights so that the other man can dominate me with his greater numbers."

He made no concessions to international pressure to release Mr Nelson Mandela, the leader of the banned African National Congress.

"If Mr Mandela is prepared to reject violence, surely I am prepared to talk to him, but he is not prepared to reject violence," he said.

"I am not as head of state going to see him in jail to inquire from him whether he is prepared to talk to me. He was found guilty and sentenced by a proper court."

Billion-dollar litter of Libyans' desert defeat

From Michael Goldsmith of Associated Press
Wadi Doum, Chad



Chadians inspecting undamaged Soviet-built T55 tanks, keys still in the ignition, abandoned by Libyans at Faya-Largeau.

The desert all around what was Libya's main military base in Chad is littered with the debris of war and the bodies of Libyan soldiers turned black by the sun.

Wadi Doum, a two-mile aluminium-plate runway ringed by sophisticated Soviet-designed weaponry and equipment, was overrun by Chad forces on March 23. More than a third of the 4,000-man Libyan garrison was killed or captured. The rest fled, abandoning more than 20 jet fighter-bombers and nearly 200 tanks and tracked armoured personnel carriers, most of them in working order.

French officers who viewed the scene said it was one of the most spectacular defeats suffered by an army this century. They estimated that the weaponry left behind intact was alone worth more than $1 billion (£625 million). The officers were astounded by the Libyans' ineptitude, slovenliness and lack of discipline.

The Libyans, who for four years virtually annexed the northern half of Chad, picked this forsaken spot for their biggest air base as it was in striking distance of Ndjamena, the capital 600 miles to the south-west, and they felt protected by the hostile environment. In the event, it only facilitated the Chadians' lightning triumph.

Major Assabah Ozi, the local Chad commander, told a news conference outside his tent that his men captured the base "because they were better soldiers". But he refused to explain the tactics used to overrun massed modern tanks, artillery and rocket-launchers with a vastly inferior force equipped only with portable weapons and Toyota pick-up trucks.

The French observers said the Chadians had developed a technique for sneaking up on tanks at night and overwhelming their crews in hand-to-hand fighting. Whatever the means, their success is visible for 100 miles of desert, where the Libyans tried to hold a defensive line following the loss of Fada, 150 miles to the south-east.

Beside the former office of the base commander, Colonel Khalifa Belkacem Mouftar, the corpses of five Libyans are piled up in a ditch, as though flung there by the victors. Major Ozi said the authorities would ultimately bury the Libyan dead, but currently had "better things to do".

Dejected Libyan prisoners can be seen clearing the minefields and doing other manual work. The Chadians claim they captured about 1,000 Libyans, who are well fed and seem well treated.

On low hills either side of the runway, the Libyans posted the huge truck-mounted antennae of a Spoon-rest distant early-warning system. Instruction manuals in Russian were scattered around.

The Libyan troops whiled away the hours by designing tablets of citations from the Koran or from Colonel Muammar Gadaffi's "Green Book" in pebbles pasted on wooden boards.

The Libyans are bombing Wadi Doum several times daily, presumably trying to destroy their abandoned equipment. On April 7 an Albatross crashed after it was hit by a Chadian Sam 7. Reporters were taken to see the wreckage.

Later that day two bombs dropped near the runway from about 20,000 ft missed the caravan of four trucks carrying journalists by less than 300 yards.

A six-week-old issue of the Tripoli daily *New Dawn* fluttered amid the sand at Wadi Doum. Nearly two months after the Chadians recaptured Fada, it reported that Fada's Libyan garrison had repulsed "enemy sneak attacks" with heavy Chadian losses. Far out in the desert, two undamaged T55 tanks were visible, their turrets open and white flags of surrender fluttering from their radio aerials.

Drug raids criticized as 'window dressing'

Madrid – Police raids in seven Spanish cities at the weekend, which led to the arrest of more than 700 alleged drug traffickers, have been criticized as window-dressing (Richard Wigg writes).

Newspapers also complained that the combined swoop by national police and paramilitary Civil Guards had concentrated on small traffickers with none of the men behind them picked up.

Raids in Madrid, Barcelona, Seville, Valencia, Málaga, and Las Palmas and Santa Cruz netted a little more than 1 lb of heroin, slightly less cocaine, and a small quantity of hashish.

Only 12 years

Khartoum (AFP) – The Sudan Supreme Court reduced two life sentences against former Vice-President Omer Mohammed Tayeb, for his role in the airlift of Falasha Ethiopian Jews to Israel, to 12 years and nine months'.

Boxer defects

Hemsbach, West Germany (AFP) – A Polish heavyweight boxer, Wieslav Dyia, aged 23, from Katowice, has defected to the West after an amateur tournament here to join his compatriot, Anton Gut.

Duvalier stay

Grenoble (AFP) – A Grenoble court has cancelled expulsion orders issued early last year against the former Haitian dictator, Mr Jean-Claude "Baby Doc" Duvalier, and three members of his family.

Plant caution

Stockholm (Reuter) – The Soviet Union has shelved plans to double capacity at Ignalina nuclear plant in Lithuania, accused by Swedish experts of having low safety standards.

Less crime

Washington (AFP) – The number of crimes in the United States declined in 1986 by 700,000 to 43.2 million, the lowest total for 13 years.

Gang bust

Dhaka (Reuter) – An armed gang fired blanks, exploded smoke bombs and freed three accused murderers from a Dhaka courthouse.

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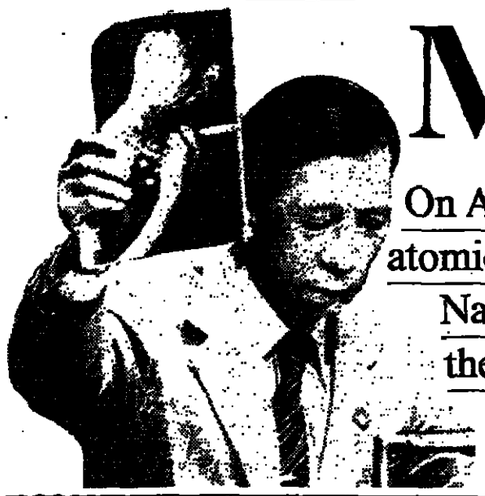
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Making trouble, for peace

On August 9, 1945, an atomic bomb destroyed Nagasaki. For years, the survivors—Senji Yagamuchi (left) among them — fought for recognition, which finally came with the rise of the Japanese peace movement. Caroline Moorehead describes the attitudes of today's peace seekers, both eastern and western

In the spring of 1954 Senji Yagamuchi, a 23-year-old technical engineer crept around the back of the Nagasaki station yard and on to a train bound for Tokyo. He was hiding, trying to keep out of sight, because he was a *hibakusha*, a survivor of the atom bomb that had fallen on Nagasaki on August 9, 1945. A thin wiry young man, Yagamuchi was so severely disfigured by burns that no firm despite his excellent degree would give him work, without money, he could not buy a ticket to Tokyo.

The skin graft hospital ward full of other survivors, from which he had just been discharged had filled him with a determination to visit the government offices in the capital until then strangely silent on atom bomb matters, and ask them why they could not at least pay something towards the cost of the many operations that had been made necessary by the particular ferocity and peculiar properties of thermal burn and radiation.

Earlier in the year, Yagamuchi had attempted suicide. There were thousands like him young men and women who were hungry, desperate deformed and still, after all those years, completely confused about what had happened to them.

Nothing came of Yagamuchi's journey, and his request for help for the *hibakusha*. He went back home to the hospital ward, determined to win some sort of recognition for the maimed survivors of the nuclear attacks on Nagasaki and Hiroshima.

Within a year of Yagamuchi's mission to Tokyo, a Japanese peace movement was born. It wasn't his inspiration alone, of course, or even mostly his. But, as so often with a popular movement, it came into existence out of an almost spontaneous feeling among survivors all over the country that they deserved recognition and that they had been too long without it.

It is one of the less-documented facts about the bombings that enormous efforts were made in Japan to keep details of the blasts' effects from the people, in case they led to outbreaks of hostility towards the occupying American forces.

Right through the 1940s and well into the 1950s it was forbidden to discuss the bombs at all. First the American forces, then the Japanese government, made absolutely certain that no detail and no pictures of the aftermath would disturb public apathy.

The spark the survivors had been waiting for came in the spring of 1954, when the wider Japanese public heard, and were revolted by, the news that the Americans had decided to conduct a new atomic test — a hydrogen bomb this time — on Bikini Atoll, part of the Marshall Islands of the Pacific, and that a Japanese tuna fishing boat had returned home covered in the "ashes of death".

After that, things happened very quickly. In Hiroshima and Tokyo small groups, mainly of students and housewives, began to collect signatures protesting about Bikini Atoll. Out of this, in 1955, came *Gensuikyo*, the Council Against Atomic and Hydrogen Bombs, an all-party, national, anti-nuclear group.

On August 6, 1955, the 10th anniversary of the bombing of Hiroshima, that city was the venue for the first World Conference against Atomic and Hydrogen Bombs. In Nagasaki, Yagamuchi gathered his friends into an Association of A-bombed Youths. "At last, after 10 despairing years, I began to find hope again," he says. "All of us survivors who had been so isolated began to think that there would be other voices speaking for us."

Today, the *hibakusha* occupy a special place in Japanese life. Of the 365,925 survivors still alive and registered in March, 1986, some were in their early 40s, as children unborn on those two August days — a figure put by the authorities at 4,989 — are also considered *hibakusha*.

The survivors are both symbols — and, as such, revered — and pariahs, bearing the taint of perpetual contamination, the marks of a 20th century plague with its constant exhaustion, sterility, loss of hair — and, of course, leukaemia and other cancers.

Many of the *hibakusha* stay in close touch through Yagamuchi's expanded Nagasaki Association of A-bombed Youths and Maidens, whose 60 surviving members gather once a month. "The Americans needed us as guinea-pigs," Yagamuchi remarks.

He takes visitors to the Peace Park to look at the enormous copper god-like man, designed by Seibo Kitamura as a memorial to the bomb. The statue has distinctly Aryan features, his curls falling to his massive shoulders. One arm points outwards, the other towards the sky.

"The inhabitants of Nagasaki hate this man," he says. "He is too western in appearance and bears too military a stance. His is a gross and menacing presence, with no delicacy or subtlety."

Today, Japan is said to possess the largest and most effective peace movement in the world, able to collect 30 million signatures without difficulty on any nuclear protest petition. Yet, while "peace" has rapidly become the great national slogan, it has as rapidly lost any real meaning. At best, for those who pursue it realistically, it means stopping Japan from acquiring its own nuclear weapons.

What, the protestors ask themselves, does the peace commitment amount to? Except among a few Christian minorities, "pacifism", as an ideal, does not exist. The term is seen as woolly, impractical. Even those most active within the peace movement look confused, and slightly affronted, if asked whether they would call themselves pacifists, opposed to all wars, all fighting, at all times.

Yet when, in 1984, the prime minister, Yasuhiro Nakasone, suggested the resumption of official visits to the Yasukumi Jinja Shrine, near the Imperial Palace in Tokyo — a memorial to all those who have died for the Emperor — the many splinters of the Japanese peace movement united.

Buddhists, Christians, students and grassroots activists all rose up in fury at what they have declared is the symbol of an official desire to see Japan re-militarized. It was as if, suddenly and with a sense of panic, they had become fully conscious of the frailty of their peace organizations, enormous and vocal though they are.

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Never again: in Japan, any move towards acquiring nuclear weapons is met with protests signed by upwards of 30 million people

'The Americans needed us as guinea-pigs'

WATCHING THE DEATH TRAIN

The first people to see the "*phantom train bound* for Hades" were in La Junta, Colorado. It was 11pm, and *snowing heavily*. They telephoned ahead. Soon people had climbed out of bed and were *waiting beside the railway* tracks, watching as a shipment of missiles went past.

They did nothing, on that night in March, 1983; they just watched in silence. Since then, though, the train — painted white, to lower the temperature inside — has come to symbolize the extinction of all life on earth.

That scores of Americans watch the "white trains" is down to Ian and Shelley Douglass. They were looking for a piece of land *on which to* start a centre for non-violent action. In 1977 they came across a house standing on a hill overlooking the gate of the Trident submarine base at Banghor, on Puget Sound, Washington state.

It gave the Douglasses an idea. They would use it to observe "one critical means towards nuclear holocaust" — the shipments of missiles that travel by rail across the US, from factory to *base*.

In December, 1982, they learnt that a special, armoured *train, carrying nuclear* warheads, was on its way to the Trident base: eight white, low armoured cars, like tanks. The train, bearing the markings ATMX, was moving slowly.

It did not take the Douglasses long to put together the facts: every four or five months a white train, carrying somewhere between 100 and 200 hydrogen bombs, set off from the Pantex plant in Amarillo — the final assembly point for all US nuclear warheads in Texas — on its journey to Banghor. A friend, a railway enthusiast, came up with its most probable route.

Between January and March, 1983, the *Douglasses made* contact with sympathizers along the way, in Colorado, Montana, Wyoming, Idaho and Washington.

Since then, watching the trains has become a way of life for a large number of people. They see them as alive, an incarnation of evil. And evil, they say, does not like light.

The government does its best to prevent them from catching glimpses of the trains as they move around the country. Alternative routes are frequently tried. They have been re-routed through Kansas and Nebraska, to avoid the attentions of Colorado's particularly vigilant watchers.

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The night the ship went down

The glamour of the Titanic, which sank 75 years ago this week, continues to intrigue devotees

For 850 passionate Titanic buffs gathered in a hotel in Wilmington, Delaware, in the United States, this weekend, emotion ran high. Here was a chance to relive the shipwreck, extract every dimming memory from the survivors, dine from the menu of the fated last dinner and listen to the tunes of the ship's orchestra.

It was almost as good as being out there on the Atlantic 75 years ago, one T-shirt-clad expert confided as nine elderly survivors from the Titanic posed beneath a painted backdrop of the liner's grand staircase.

There was even a cause — to save the newly-discovered wreck from being looted by French fortune-hunters said to be on the verge of launching an expedition.

The occasion was organized by the American Titanic Historical Society to remember and recreate the fatal night of April 14, 1912, when the White Star liner slammed into an iceberg and took 1,500 millionaires, socialites and lesser mortals to the ocean bed.

"What was the number of your cabin?" a young aficionado asked one of the stars of the event, Mrs Marjorie Newell Robb, a sprightly 98-year-old. She was 23 at the time and being escorted home to Boston by a father who was anxious to break off her affair with an unsuitable Arab.

She had travelled first class, and described the "beautifully dressed" celebrity passengers like John Jacob Astor, and the elegant sang-froid of the fathers who ushered their women and children into the too few lifeboats and bid them stoic farewells.

"Father told me to take this other ship and said goodbye to me," Mrs Robb said. "I rowed away from the great Titanic. People were struggling in the water. There was terrible noise as it went down. The screams of the helpless. The screams of the children losing their parents."

Mrs Eva Hart, an 82-year-old British survivor, fielded the perennial Titanic question. Was the orchestra playing "Nearer My God To Thee?" as it went down (recent scholarship holds that it was not). "I say that it was. I am as certain about that as I am sitting here. Whether it was the last hymn, I don't know," she said.

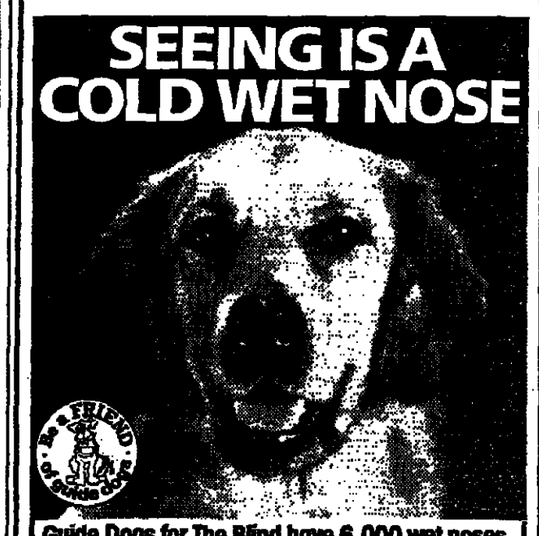
Another, Mr Michel Navratil, from Montpelier, said that his main memory as a four-year-old just abducted from the custody of his mother by a divorced father, was the fried eggs in the dining-room. "My father asked us to convey his affection for my mother."

The dinner yesterday included Caesar's salad, baked haddock and chocolate éclairs, all of which were served to first or second-class passengers on April 14, 1912.

After an "invocation" by an ecclesiastical Titanic fan, the gathering was treated to slides taken of the wreck by the team of Dr Robert Ballard, who found the broken ship two miles deep in 1985.

A British film maker running a stall full of Titanic video cassettes, said he found something "almost mawkish" in the American fascination. Alongside his stall, Titanic addicts were snapping up memorabilia from the steamship age, including White Star china and even a "sinking of the Titanic" game, "the game you play as the ship goes down, then face the peril of the open sea."

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To the manor drawn

Running your own stately home may seem like a dream, but as Lee Rodwell discovered, every drawbridge has its drawbacks

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My manor: Carol Kenwright at Ightham Mote, a medieval house in Kent, run by the National Trust — "It's more than a job, it's a way of life"

The stately homes of England are now opening their doors to the public again after the winter. And this year, as usual, many of the millions of visitors will fantasize about what it must be like to live among the history and the beauty of a bygone age.

Few of us can afford to buy our own stately home. But there is another way, as Maureen Dodsworth, Marian Buchanan and Carole Kenwright have discovered. All three work as administrators for the National Trust and live in the historic houses they run.

Maureen lives at Rufford Old Hall, a medieval Great Hall with a Carolean wing and Victorian additions near Ormskirk, Lancashire. Marian has settled at Coughton Court, not far from Stratford-upon-Avon, Warwickshire. Carole is at Ightham Mote, a medieval manor house near Sevenoaks, Kent.

Most National Trust administrators are male, although many wives help their husbands with the work or may be appointed jointly. But a number of women are taking on the job of administrator alone, while their husbands continue in their own career.

It is Carole Kenwright's second year at Ightham Mote and the job has proved even more satisfying than she had hoped (last year the number of visitors to the property doubled). Carole was working as a school secretary in Leicestershire when she heard a radio interview with a National Trust administrator. She thought: "I could do that" and applied.

"It's more than a job, it's a way of life," she says. "So you all have to be committed. It's hard work but very exciting. I'm not sure people always realize just how much is involved. I have a head gardener, a resident houseman and housekeeper — both of whom I had to find and appoint — and then there is the question of dealing with the public, taking guided tours, promoting the house to schools and running the shop."

"I have 70 volunteer room stewards: every day I like to have a personal word with them all. Then there is all the correspondence and the book-keeping side. On top of that we've had a lot of building work. I never thought I'd have to know how to de-flood a moat."

Luxury is thin on the ground. "At present we are living in temporary accommodation in a large flat — cold, compared with our four-bed detached centrally-heated house. We haven't got double glazing. Humping groceries over the moat and up three flights of stairs is quite a change from simply carrying them from the carport to the kitchen."

"If you are going out or locking up for the night then you have to lock all the doors and switch everything off. We have 72 rooms and probably twice as many doors. And we don't have proper Sunday lunches any more, but we are closed on Saturdays and that is a family day."

Her husband, an electrical engineer, is "tremendously supportive", Carol says. At weekends he might be found taking the tractor and trailer to clear the woodland, with their two daughters, aged 10 and 12, in tow. They like to feed the ducks and resident peacock. On open days they enjoy helping in the shop and selling guide books.

Marian Buchanan's three children were grown up by the time she found herself in charge of Coughton Court five years ago. She lived locally, knew her predecessor — also a woman — and on her retirement applied for the job. Coughton has a magnificent gatehouse built in 1509, but otherwise is mainly Elizabethan; the wives of some of the Gunpowder plotters awaited the results of the trial there.

Now 55, she says it seemed an ideal opportunity to "do my own thing. My husband — an hydraulic engineer — was encouraging and so we sold our own house and bought another one for when we retire.

"Looking after an historic house is rather like looking after one's own house, only on a much larger scale. It involves everything from administration, to running the gift shop and tea rooms, opening to the public, making sure the conservation rules are kept, reporting if anything needs restoration, supervising the staff and — very important — security.

"The surroundings are beautiful. Instead of a small garden you have grounds and you can step outside and take the dog for a country walk without getting in the car first. But it's not quite the same as living at home. You have to behave decorously — and the front door is a long way away if someone rings the bell."

Before taking over a National Trust house, Maureen Dodsworth's work had been as a home economics teacher. Her husband is a chartered accountant. They saw an advertisement for the job of administrator at Wordsworth House, felt their skills fitted and applied for the post jointly. After a while Maureen's husband found the job wasn't quite what he'd been looking for and went back to accountancy. But Maureen, now in her 40s, was hooked — and applied for the job in her own right.

This will be Maureen's first year at Rufford. Only days before she was due to open she was still knee deep in carpenters and plumbers. She took the chaos in her stride.

"There are many advantages. Early in the morning or late at night, when the visitors have gone, for a short time it feels like it's yours. Mind you, it's hard work. People think we close down in winter and go off on long holidays but that's when all the conservation gets done. And in old properties there's always something that needs seeing to.

"The pay isn't terrific, but you don't come into it primarily for the money. When I look out of my kitchen window and see the bluebells coming up and the daffodils in bud I think you can't beat it."

● The salary scale for administrators ranges approximately from £7,000 to £14,000 a year. A vacancy list is available twice a month if you send an s.a.e. to the personnel department of the National Trust, 16 Queen Anne's Gate, London SW1H 9AS.

How to raise a genius

Psychologist David Lewis shows, in a new book, how parents hold the key to their children's intellectual success

According to research psychologist and author, David Lewis, all children are born with the ability to be as intellectually gifted as Ruth Lawrence, the 15-year-old who is currently studying for her PhD at Oxford, having graduated with an honours degree in mathematics at the age of 13.

As children of Lawrence's ability are still sufficiently rare to merit nationwide media interest, this is a theory which indicates that a lot of mistakes are being made somewhere.

Lewis lays the blame squarely at the door of our schools' teaching methods which, he insists, fill children's heads with useless facts that actually inhibit the development of intellectual abilities which will be vital to them in the 21st century.

In the absence of a dramatic reform of the traditional education system there is, he says, an extremely effective teacher of vital mind skills: the parent. In Lewis's eyes parents are not an optional extra tagged on to a good day's work at school, they are the child's best hope. This is the message of his book, *Mind Skills*.

The book is a natural sequel to his previous three — *The Secret Language of Your Child*, *How to be a Gifted Parent*, and *You can Teach Your Child Intelligence*. "The computer revolution is having as dramatic an effect on our society as the Industrial Revolution had in the 19th century," Lewis says. "Manual workers, like the agricultural workers before them, are going to become almost extinct. What society needs now is people who are able to use their brains, not their hands."

Using one's brain, Lewis believes, is not a question of accumulating facts. "An engineering graduate will find that 50 per cent of his knowledge is redundant a few years after he has completed his degree. In these conditions, facts are secondary. What he needs is the ability to assess the knowledge he needs, and to acquire it quickly and efficiently."

Lewis says these skills are entirely neglected in our education system, which he describes as "a throwback to the Industrial Revolution, turning out people who lack social skills, have little motivation and are negative about themselves, waiting for other people to arrange their lives. These are responses learnt in their 15,000 hours behind a school desk."

Lewis claims that the academic system is geared to intellectual thinking, but his research reveals that only a quarter of children think in this way. He has identified three other ways of thinking: intuitive, innovative and implementive, and believes that children with these "mind styles" rarely get a chance to shine.

"The way to develop the brain is to make the child want to learn. Motivation is very important. So are security and easy access to information. The parent can provide all these naturally."

In his book, aimed at the parents of five to 10-year-olds, Lewis demonstrates how to assess both your own and your child's mind style (many problems, he says, stem from different thinking styles within the family) and discusses the learning approaches appropriate for different types of thinkers.



Dr Lewis: power of motivation

I suggested to Dr Lewis, a spruce, 45-year-old bachelor, that his methods might be rather overwhelming for a parent who is unable to devote him or herself to them full-time. "Do you think so? I wonder," he mused. Here it became clear who was a parent and who wasn't.

"All parents want to do the best for their children," he says. "They may not know what that is, but that's what this book sets out to tell them. I think information lessens anxiety.

"There are a million ways of harming a child. It can be done so quickly and unintentionally. Unfortunately, it is easier for parents to hold children back than it is to help them reach their potential."

Sally Moulsdale

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Mind Skills is published on Thursday by Souvenir Press (£10.95).

Uphill battle

The constant tramp of feet is wearing out the Pennine Way. Molly Porter faces the daunting task of restoring it

High up, where the Pennine Way crosses the Snake Path before disappearing into the forbidding wastes of the High Peaks, a bitterly cold north-easterly is cutting into Molly Porter's face and tugging at her blue anorak. But she wouldn't thank you for a sunshine island in the Caribbean.

"I just reckon I'm so lucky to be here and to be able to call it work," she says. "If somebody shot me tomorrow I would die happy."

Anybody who prefers the comforts of a centrally-heated office, company car and designer clothes to her battered Land Rover, all-enveloping weatherproofs and boots would find her contentment hard to comprehend.

Molly Porter, aged 48, one-time leader of the Cairngorm mountain rescue team, sometime countryside ranger, says the countryside has given her everything good in life, including a husband. And now she is grateful for being given the chance to put something back.

She has been hired by the Countryside Commission to carry out a three-year, £86,000 study into ways of repairing and combating the increasing erosion on the 250 mile-long Pennine Way, Britain's longest walkers' route, stretching from Edale in Derbyshire to Kirk Yetholm in the Borders.

The task before Porter is to find a solution that somehow retains the natural appearance of the terrain while giving it increased strength to carry the growing demands upon it. The answer she comes up with will not only be applied to the Pennine Way, but throughout the rest of the country, dictating the way future generations of walkers and ramblers are able to enjoy the countryside.

On Snake Summit, 1,680 feet above sea level, evidence of erosion is all around. The paths, for example, have been worn too wide, like muddy rural motorways. Attempts have been made to repair the damage with duckboard and a combination of chestnut pailing and quarry dust, but the effect is ugly, and at the mercy of adverse weather conditions.

"As the pressure of city life increases," she says, "people in ever-increasing numbers are going to want to escape, just to get away and come here and breathe fresh air and feel the peace and quiet. I believe it's our last chance to get the answer right before it is destroyed for good."

Born in Hertfordshire, Porter spent her childhood dreaming of mountains and canyons. When, at the age of 16, she saw Ben Nevis for the first time, she was captivated. She took up mountaineering, and in 1960 met her husband, Joe, on an Arctic expedition to Spitsbergen. They married the following year.

A few months later they threw in their jobs — she as a teacher, he as an artist — and set up home in the Cairngorms, where they still live in their remote farmhouse.

Porter is aware that her eventual report will have to meet the aspirations of the walkers, the needs of the natural wildlife and habitat and the demands of those who depend on the area around the Pennine Way for their living. But she is confident that she will find the answer.

"I want to be able to leave it in such a way that when I come back later to walk along it I could be proud of what I have achieved," she says.

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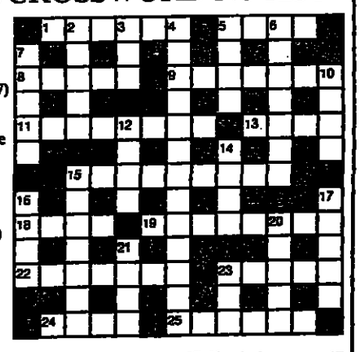


Molly Porter: seeking solution

With that we turn against the icy wind and head back to where her Land Rover is parked. Does she ever wish she was still behind her teacher's desk in a warm classroom? "Never, never," she replies.

Peter Davenport

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Snob values



PENNY PERRICK

On a wall in the street next to this newspaper office someone has chalked, in large letters, "Jobs not snobs". I understand the sentiment. Once gentrification creeps up on a neighbourhood, you start to feel that for the rest of your life you are going to stand at a bus-stop in the rain while somebody wearing a very ancient but very beautiful tweed jacket drives by in a very ancient but very beautiful Bentley.

At first glance, the arrival of snobs would seem to do nothing for the local unemployment figures. Snobs aren't in the market for wine bars and restaurants, so I think it was rash of the owner of an eating-place in Wapping Lane to spend a fortune on a brass and copper staircase and a high-gloss white piano. Fine for Liberace but snobs have an aversion to glitz.

Snobs are home-centred. I suppose their house is the only place where they can be sure of meeting only their own kind. So once they start moving east of Mincing Lane, there will be terrific job opportunities for anyone who is willing to help a snob maintain the standard of living to which he has become accustomed.

Local builders should learn how to renovate houses in such a way that they look (the houses, not the builders) as if they are about to collapse into a heap of rubble. Doors must be fitted so as to provide an excruciating draught — it is part of the snob's credo that well-bred people never feel extremes of temperature.

Central heating systems must be ripped out (so vulgar) and cranky coke boilers installed. I think there should be a local government training scheme to teach likely lads how to create discomfort. It will come in handy when the snobs arrive.

The female snobs are going to need some help on the domestic front. Since they make their own sausages and buy peculiar cuts of meat, now is the time for somebody to open up a butcher's shop selling pigs' intestines rather than pork chops.

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An Afghan Story. No. 2

Saima was nine when the Russians bombed her village. She walked over the mountains to the refugee camps of Pakistan with her family. Now she is proud she walked all the way. "But I am a mountain girl", she says. Saima is thirteen and she would like to go to school but there is no hope of that. She is one of five children and there is only just enough food. Her father is fighting the Russians. Sometimes, not often, he comes to visit his family. Saima's fifteen year old cousin was given an old manual sewing machine and she makes dresses to sell in the bazaars; she has transformed the life of her family who can now afford a little better food, a blanket, jerseys for the bitter winters. Saima dreams that someone will give her a sewing machine too. She watches her mother struggle to feed the children and keep them warm. A few pounds would buy an old sewing machine but such a sum to Saima is as if she were saying, I want the moon . . .

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Christian brothers?

Derek Pattinson, secretary-general of the Church of England general synod since 1972, will be listening especially closely to its debate this summer on freemasonry. It will focus on a church working party's inquiry, whose conclusions are likely to be highly unsympathetic to the movement. This weekend, Pattinson confirmed to me that he is himself a Mason. He refused, however, to speculate on his position if the synod concluded that freemasonry was incompatible with Christianity. "My response is a variation on the theme of no comment," he told me. What is certain is that the synod's discussion will be conducted differently from a church assembly debate of 1951 which threw out calls for an inquiry. Out of 10 speakers, six were Masons and two supporters of the movement. Nevertheless, the Archbishop of Canterbury, Geoffrey Fisher, congratulated the meeting on "a great debate conducted in a great manner". Fisher – you guessed it – was a Mason too.

Election nerves

With May 7 having quietly slithered out of sight as general election day, nerves are becoming frayed in Blackpool and Brighton – hosts, respectively, of this autumn's Tory and Labour conferences. The towns' hotels and tourist organizations are concerned that an October 8 election would mean the cancellation of both events, worth around £1 million to each of them. Blackpool's director of tourism, Barry Morris, tells me he has held back £30,000 from the town's advertising budget against cancellation. The money would be used to promote a "bed sale" to help the town's 3,000 hotels, half of which would be hit by cancellation. "At least we've got the illuminations to offer," he says. The SDP, meanwhile, is congratulating itself on having brought forward its conference in Portsmouth to an unusually early kick-off at the end of August. Should June pass without an election, it will be converted into a pre-election rally.

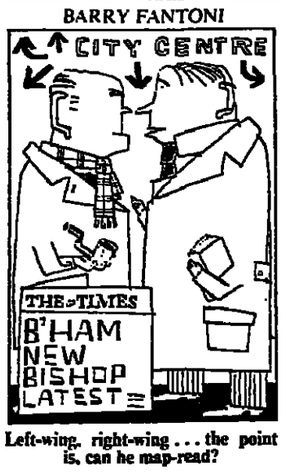
Mugshot

Amid the grim figures for rising crime recorded by Thames Valley Police in its annual report, one statistic particularly was noted by Councillor Julian Jacottet, a Labour member of the local police authority: that the report prepared by Chief Constable Colin Smith included no fewer than 10 photographs of himself.

Unsisterly

Bryan Gould, Labour's campaign co-ordinator, has sent a shot over the the bows of the Labour leadership, effectively warning that the party's truce over Britain's membership of the EEC may not last forever. Though Neil Kinnock has made it clear that Labour will not go into the election committed to withdrawal, his right-hand man criticizes a recent statement from Labour's Walworth Road headquarters which talks warmly of co-operation with sister parties in the community. In a letter to *Labour Weekly* signed by five other MPs, Gould says the statement glosses over the gulfs between Labour and "so-called socialist parties" in the EEC and points out that it has not been discussed within the party, "let alone been approved by party conference". A majority of the party would reject a "positive approach to the common market" when given the opportunity, the letter ends. Though no Labour conference has debated membership since 1982, Gould yesterday admitted: "It is unlikely to be brought up at the annual conference. It is unlikely there will even be a party conference." He maintained that Neil Kinnock's position was close to his.

BARRY FANTONI



Left-wing, right-wing . . . the point is, can he map-read?

Message heard

Reports that Labour Party lawyers are combing through the rulebook to see if Sharon Atkin, the black-section activist, can be prevented from standing in the general election should not overly distress her. The Lambeth Labour councillor, selected to fight the marginal Tory seat of Nottingham East, told the unofficial black-section rally in Birmingham last week that she did not "give a damn" if she was not a candidate. "I don't give a damn about Neil Kinnock or the racist Labour Party," she said. "Mr Kinnock can hear that again and again. I don't give a damn." It appears Kinnock did hear.

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The truth about jury-nobbling

After last week's allegations at the Old Bailey, John McVicar explains how the villains' friends actually go about it

In a flurry of publicity, Scotland Yard detectives have claimed that an attempt was made to "nobble" an Old Bailey jury. I have doubts about these particular claims, but there is no doubt that jury-nobbling does happen.

The trouble with the current allegations is that they do not square with the facts of the trial.

The allegations, which came at the end of the trial of two robbers for plundering a Brinks-Matt armoured car of £500,000 in September 1985, may well be connected with the opposition mounting against impending legislation that would abolish the defendant's right to three peremptory jury challenges.

The robbery case began on March 9 but was stopped four days later over a lunchtime incident at the pub opposite the Old Bailey. Police officers guarding the jury say that four jurors were subjected to "what could be described as threatening gestures" by relatives of one of the accused. The relatives counter-claimed that the jurors had been talking to the protection officers.

Both prosecution and defence complained to the judge. He ordered a retrial, on the ground that at least one of his guidelines had been breached. At the retrial, which began on March 17, the two defendants were convicted and each jailed for 22 years.

The robbery squad detective superintendemt in charge of the investigation then said that jury-nobbling at the Old Bailey was rife but had been foiled in this instance by the vigilance of his officers.

He said that a few days before the first trial he had received a tip that the names and addresses of the 500 people from which the jury would be selected had found their way into the possession of criminal associates of one of the accused. The list itself had been legitimately obtained by a defence solicitor under a section of the 1974 Juries Act, sometime after the prosecution had made it known that they would be seeking an order for armed protection of the jury.

Of course, police officers have a vested interest in making claims about jury-nobbling, but what provokes them most of all is that they know it goes on but have rarely been able to prove it: one conviction they obtained in 1983 was quashed on appeal.

Jury-nobbling became a problem in the 1960s when armed robbery took off among young working-class criminals. Multiple defendants led to long trials, and the practice developed of their asking all their friends to have "butchers" at the jury to see if they recognized anyone.

The required unanimous verdicts meant that one nobbled juror ensured a retrial; another disagreement meant a directed acquittal.

Allegations about this practice led to the introduction of majority (10-2) verdicts in 1967, but not all approaches to jurors were designed to secure disagreements. It could be to the defendant's advantage if a *mis*-trial was declared after a complaint to the judge from either defence or prosecution and a fresh jury sworn in. Sometimes games were played on both sides with deliberitaley clumsy attempts which were inevitably going to be reported to the judge.

Gross approaches are not designed to recruit moles. The problem for the defendants came when a judge refused to order a fresh trial and the defendant was left facing the prejudice that clumsy approaches breed.

Police surveillance of the kind used in last week's case makes nobbling impossible. Successful jury-nobbling doesn't depend on jury lists or even scrutinizing the jurors from the public gallery.

But once inside the court precincts, individual jurors not covered by a jury protection order can be followed by the prospective nobbler: their names, addresses and photographs collected. Once this information is gathered,efforts are made to find someone who knows them and is willing to make an approach.

Once a mole is recruited, he is coached on how to push the defendants' case with other jurors. The emphasis is always on the mole not alienating himself from the others but persuading them of the merits of the defence. Even if he is unsuccessful in this, his reports on how the jury is reacting as a body to aspects of the case can be invaluable in managing the defence.

Crooked jurors are always given some money when they first agree to help and promised the world whether they get "a result" or not: invariably they get nothing. Effective jury-nobbling is an expensive and exclusive service which only a few successful and connected criminals in London can draw on.

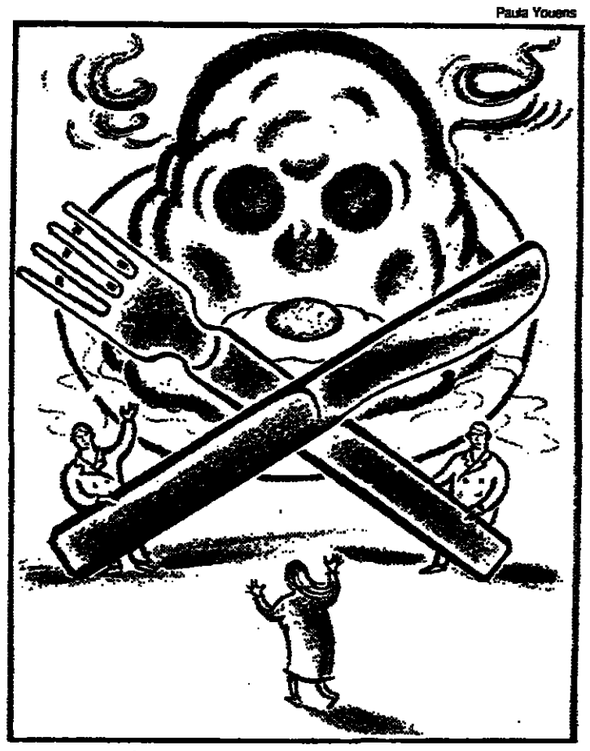
It can't however be prevented by pretending that jury-nobbling is done in pubs opposite the Old Bailey by relatives of the accused and in full view of the police guard.

The interests of justice would be much better served by considering the merits of keeping juries in isolation throughout the trial, which besides preventing nobbling would also stop the enormously prejudicial effect of armed police patrolling British courts,a practice now being criticized by the judges themselves.

Bernard Levin: the way we live now

Free me from the tyranny of Foodies

Paula Youens



It used to be the fashion, in shops selling trinkets, souvenirs and other rubbish, to include among their stock trays, beer glasses, teacloths and the like bearing the words "Everything I like is illegal, immoral or fattening". It was meant to be a joke, but has long since turned into grim reality. Those who have thus turned a jest to deadly earnest are the Single Issue Fanatics, who roam our society with their glittering-eyed claim that they have a right to force their beliefs on us whether we share them or not, and ultimately to give their beliefs the force of law, so that they may haul us before the courts for no greater crime than disagreeing with them.

The most extreme form which this pestilence has so far taken fortunately affects few of us; it is the legislation – I keep finding, when I tell people about it, that they do not believe me, being quite convinced that it is a joke – which makes it a serious criminal offence to annoy a bat. Not to *kill* one, you must understand, but even to remove it from your house, however gently, if it has nested there.

Just think how recently such legislation would have been unimaginable in Britain. Yet there it is, and the Single Issue Fanatics have chalked up another victory.

The most familiar of the enforcers' victims are, of course, the smokers, about whose persecution – the word is not too strong – I have frequently written. But there is now a new plague among us, which – mark these words, and date-stamp them, too, for I tell you that I speak sooth – will very soon now be as big as the harassment of smokers, and shortly after that, bigger. Yes, bigger; for no one, after all, is compelled to smoke, but we must all eat. And it is what we eat and how we eat it that is the next target for those who will not rest until they have compelled *us*, under the threat of prosecution, to do what *they* wish. Their impulse, as with all these people, is based on a conviction that they know what is good for us better than we do ourselves; that is, indeed, the definition of any fanatic, but if I tell them that their attitude is essentially totalitarian they will be either amused or indignant, or both, for their belief that they know what we want is perfectly genuine.

Only, it is mistaken. The undoubted leader of the new species of fanatic, hereinafter referred to as the Foodies, is Mr Geoffrey Cannon, who was Fooding away, not long since, in this very newspaper. I have no objection to that; but he can hardly complain, having had his say, if I disagree with him.

"Britain needs a food and health policy. The Government must do its duty." Thus *The Lancet*, quoted with approval by Mr Cannon. Moreover, "the present operation of the CAP in relation to dairy products and sugar is directly opposed to the dietary objectives that the United Kingdom should be aiming for". Thus, the BMA, equally commended by Mr Cannon.

Most of what followed was designed to show that the Government and the food manufacturers are in cahoots; whenever he mentions nutrition scientists who disagree with him it turns out that they or their researches are funded by the evil capitalists (he weasels out of the innuendo by saying "The question of their personal integrity does not arise"). It is delightfully significant that there is only one reference to the consumer, in the form of an aside, and it occurs exactly 83 per cent of the way through the article. (Mr Cannon, incidentally, exhibits another of the characteristic *stigmata* of the Single Issue Fanatic, an almost demented frenzy of acronyms: I waded through HEC, MAFF, JACNE, SNACMA, FAC and COMA, plus several Bulgarian ones such as FDF and BNF.)

The absence of the consumer from the argument is not surprising; remember that these people believe, most devoutly, in telling us what to do. Whence, of course, the "need" for "a national policy for food and health"; whence also the denunciation of the CAP for having the almighty gall to be "opposed to the dietary objectives that the United Kingdom should be aiming for". But I now leave Mr Cannon and turn to the broader principles involved.

I do not believe that free countries should have "dietary objectives"; these are a matter for Jack Sprat and his wife, who had strikingly different dietary objectives, yet maintained their marital harmony by a process of give and take. The essence of a free society is that the citizens should examine such evidence and information as *they* think useful and appropriate, even if it comes from a source that the Foodies think unreliable, and then make up their minds. But I reject the claim that some people have the right to make up the minds of others.

I have been told that in the United States there are posters to be seen bearing the message "Call a halt to salt". It is useless, alas, to point out to Christian Foodies that both St Mark and St Luke said plainly "Salt is good", and that the latter went so far as to insist that it should always be the fresh kind; it is equally vain to hope that Jewish Foodies will be impressed by the insistence of Leviticus that meat should always be accompanied by salt, because the Foodies would argue that meat is as bad for you as salt, if not worse. But the poster is yet one more item of evidence to show that the Nanny State is pushing out her frontiers.

Smoking is very likely to be bad for you; for all I know, or the Foodies know, so is salt, not to mention meat, butter, sugar, milk, cheese and bread (all of which are on the Foodies' hit-list). Since the experts' list of fatal foods changes every second Wednesday, it is very difficult for the average citizen to adjust his diet according to it, which is why most average citizens sensibly ignore the list. But I have to go one step further.

In a democracy, people have, and must never lose, the right to take actions which may result in their harm. If a sign by the shore says "Bathing here is dangerous because of fast currents", a man who plunges in does so at his own risk. You may call him a fool; I do. But I will not give anyone the power to chain him to a rock to stop him swimming into hazard. If he can't read, someone should tell him what the sign says; that is the equivalent of the reports on the hazards of smoking and of eating fatty foods. But when he is armed with the necessary information, the decision is his.

There is a reason for this. Free people in a free state can rarely know in advance which actions will be good for them and which bad. There is a gradation, not a gulf, between the two; even the show-off who dives into the racing current may come up with sunken treasure. And those who would insist that their fellow citizens must eat or smoke or travel or work or play or drink (*that* will be next, I assure you) in a manner prescribed by those giving the advice, rather than those receiving it, are committing a double sin. First, they are denying the right we all have to pursue experience wherever it may lead us; second, they are, step by step, report by report, rule by rule, law by law, destroying our capacity to govern our own lives.

And it is the capacity to govern their own lives which sets off the free from the unfree. The Foodies and Smokies and Drinkies insist that they are hectoring us and bullying us and eventually punishing us only for our own good. Many of them undoubtedly believe it. But we, and we alone, must be the judges of our own good. We may judge wrongly; but that risk is the price we pay for being free. Were it ten times as high, I would pay it willingly.

Now comes the news that Haringey Council has rejected a useful sports project for the borough (which would have cost the ratepayers nothing) because it was to be sponsored by the manufacturers of Mars Bars. The Loonies' excuse? "We feel too many are eating sweets . . ." Well, well; Nanny will put a stop to that.

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South African realities

Writing in *The Times* on March 16 on the eve of my first trip to South Africa, I listed the prejudices with which I set out: "If I were a white South African," I wrote, " I am pretty sure that I would now feel that in terms of morality the supreme need was to maintain public order, that this need would justify curtailment of the freedom of the press and of civil liberty generally, and that the moment was wholly unripe for the consideration of constitutional reform of a fundamental kind."

How far have these prejudices survived their first brief contact with reality – a visit of three weeks, two of them spent as a guest of the South African government, one as the guest of an old friend, an eminent retired South African diplomatist of strongly liberal inclinations and very little sympathy with President Botha and the National Party?

In one respect my prejudices have been fortified. I did not realize the full extent of the power of the South African republic to sustain itself and to maintain by coercion what in Ireland is known as "an acceptable level of public violence". Last May, the Eminent Persons Group was predicting a steady acceleration of disorder which would end in a bloodbath.

I can find no one in South Africa, on the right or left, who now supports that thesis. The government's emergency measures, whether you like them or not, have achieved their immediate object. A supporter of the United Democratic Front admitted as much to me: "Nothing fundamental in the way of reform will happen for the next 10 years," he said. "After that, it is possible that the system will collapse."

This remarkable approximation to a restoration of public order has been achieved by a massive policy of administrative arrest and a display of overwhelming public force. In the process, I have no doubt there has been some physical brutality, though I have no doubt either that its extent has been exaggerated. Even liberal South Africans welcome the result, though they cannot approve the means.

In relation to the press, the government is paranoid, and this aspect of the state of emergency has become thoroughly ludicrous. Newspaper editors have to have lawyers sitting constantly at their side to avoid breaching some of the many regulations; but this does not protect the government from perpetual attacks by the English-language press and damaging little notices declaring that newspapers have been produced under conditions of censorship.

The whole thing has the proportions of a considerable nuisance, rather than those of tyranny. What is more, the editor of one liberal newspaper told me that he thought the government's restrictions on the televising of violence were justified; television, he said, had become an incentive to disorder.

The essential point is that South Africa is not a banana republic constantly under the threat of political convulsion. It is maintained by a white army of indubitable loyalty to the state and by a massive civil service which at present is equally loyal. It is just possible to imagine a right-wing coup but it is not possible, for the foreseeable future, to imagine a left-wing coup. The speculations of progressives in the West about the imminent disintegration of the South African state are simply silly.

The strongest fortification of the state is, of course, the determination of the Afrikaners to survive. They believe that a unitary democracy based on one-man-one-vote would destroy them and destroy South Africa. They have no "mother country" – they feel no sentimental allegiance to Holland, nor do the Dutch particularly like them. Unlike the English, they do not believe in the wisdom of concession. They are there to stay or to die.

This difference between the British and the Afrikaner approach to politics can scarcely be exaggerated. The essence of the English political tradition is the belief that the art of politics consists in discovering what is inevitable, and then bringing the "inevitable" about as smoothly as possible.

This particular technique is applied with special alacrity to white colonial populations, like the southern Rhodesians, who can be sacrificed with little inconvenience to the electorate at home. To do them justice, however, the British also apply it to their own country – for example, in the 19th century, by enfranchising large numbers of illiterate people in the belief that it would all turn out right in the end and that anyway we could now set about educating our masters.

No such blithe irresponsibility prevails among the Afrikaners or indeed among the majority of first-language English whites in South Africa. They believe, with substantial justification, that one-man-one-vote tomorrow would mean a national ruin to which any other fate would be preferable.

With these feelings I strongly sympathize and I do not believe that the coercive measures in which they are at present expressed are for the most part morally indefensible.

But, in another respect, which I shall explore tomorrow, my prejudices have been altered.

To be continued tomorrow

Philip Howard

A kweer thing, this learn pack

At last, at a stroke, we may have achieved a consummation for which we have been working for more than 20 centuries. A language called Simplified English (SE) has been invented for the preparation of technical documents. AEA (that's the Association of European Airlines) asked AECMA (*Association Européenne des Constructeurs de Matériel Aérospatial*) to develop a form of controlled and simplified English. (One of the ways in which English is becoming easier, or at any rate more scientific, is in the proliferation of unintelligible abbreviations and acronyms.) Working parties have been weeding the vocabulary and drafting new rules of grammar and punctuation. Their results are now published, and are being applied to the documentation of the Airbus.

The vocabulary has been reduced to about 500 words. Each word has only one meaning. For example, "observe" means look

Chris Wormell



carefully, but not follow rules or make observations. Each word must be used as the part of speech that is assigned to it by the monitors of the list. Test is a noun, but not a verb. In SE you must write and say: "Do the leak test for the system" and not "Test the system for leaks." If at all possible you must put an article or demonstrative adjective or determiner before a noun to identify the word as a noun for the unwary.

In SE you break up noun clusters. For "The engine exhaust gas cooling is . . ." read "The cooling of exhaust gas from the engine is . . ." SE has numerous other admirable rules: each word has one meaning; each meaning has one word; use the shortest word – "make" not "manufacture"; pick the most international word – "occur" not "happen"; avoid irregular verbs; cut auxiliary verbs to the minimum; use high-frequency verbs – "show" not "denote". And so on.

Airbus Industrie is preparing a training package, sorry, a learn pack, in SE, and hopes that it may spread widely. We may at last be on the threshold of making English logical and tidy. It has been tried before, of course. Even as the Anglo-Saxons were wading ashore in Kent, a wimpish intellectual called Eghedbert was grumbling about the otiosity of the dual number, and proposing simplification of Old English. And that was before our rude forefathers had learnt to write.

There have been numerous proposals to reform English since then. Sam Johnson, a man with a vast bottom of good sense, toyed with the idea for a while. Bernard Shaw, a brilliant wit with no bottom of good sense at all (he wa Irish), never gave up his campaign. In the United States the Simplified Spelling Board, set up with Carnegie money, and similar campaigning organizations, still wrestle with the intractable old language: "At dhe furst glaans a pasej in eny reformed speling looks kweer and ugly. This objection iz aulwaez dhe furst to be maed."

A spelling reformer indicted
For fudge was before the court cicted.
The judge said: "Enough –
His candle we'll snough,
And his sepulchre shall not be whicted."

It may be that SE is going to make the breakthrough that has eluded reformers for so long. And it is certainly a good idea that French mechanics working on the Airbus, who speak English only as a second language, if at all, should not confuse the engine exhaust gas cooling with the microwave cooker for heating plastic food.

But will SE work for all registers of English? Some registers require obfuscation rather than simplification. Think what would happen to politics if all politicians said what they meant without any ambiguity. In the academic dialect of English, "I am going to teach grammar" fails. "We propose to conceptualize old skills and develop state-of-the-art ones in a non-competitive environment at the learning interface" goes to the top of the class, and gets a grant.

Going into overdrive for Kasparov's throne

Britain's remarkable young chess player, Nigel Short, will begin probably the toughest test of his career tomorrow when he faces the Soviet world champion, Gary Kasparov.

Short's run of brilliant results in the first three months of this year has, in the eyes of many, catapulted him into third place in the world ratings, the first British player to achieve this distinction. Kasparov has said that Short is the only credible western challenger for the world title, now in the grip of Soviet grandmasters.

At the Swift Super Tournament in Brussels this week, the 21-year-old from Manchester faces an even sterner test than in the Speed Challenge event against Kasparov earlier this year. This tournament, with a budget of £250,000, is the most richly endowed in the 130-year history of international contests. The organizers have attracted champions from Europe, Latin America and the Far East. Famous names include Bent Larsen, Robert Hubner, Jan Timman and Ljubomir Ljubojevic, but most attention will be fixed on the three Ks – Kasparov, the world champion; Karpov, the former champion and current challenger; and Korchnoi, the veteran defector.

If Short is to maintain his position as the most likely western claimant to the world throne, he must reach fourth place at Brussels. If he ranks as high as second that will be a triumph.

Short's key games will be against Kasparov and Karpov. He has the disadvantage of playing with the black pieces in both games. His clash with the hyper-aggressive world champion is due in round four tomorrow. Two rounds later, on Thursday, he faces the icily logical Karpov.

In addition to playing with the black pieces, Short suffers the disadvantage that Kasparov and Karpov are accompanied by the formidable former world champion, Mikhail Tal. Officially attending as a journalist, Tal will doubtless offer advice in pre-game preparation and critical adjourned games, should his compatriates require it. Short has no equivalent back-up; he faces the world's most fearsome grandmasters and the Soviet chess machine alone.

So far this century, British players have beaten reigning world champions only six times; three of these victories were by Short. His potential has been clear since 1977, when at the age of 12 he qualified for the British championship and won a sensational game against the 10-times-champion, Dr Jonathan Penrose. In 1979 he tied for first place, and in 1984, aged 20, became the youngest-ever champion.

Short's results over the past few months have been phenomenal. It is as if the young grandmaster has gone into mental overdrive. In January he tied for first prize in the grandmaster tournament at Wijk-aan-Zee in Holland. His co-winner was Viktor Korchnoi. Within days, Short was locked into the most acute challengeof his life, the six-game TV Speed Challenge against Kasparov. He won two games, outperforming such illustrious grandmasters as Timman, Hubner and Tony Miles.

Short then travelled to Reykjavik, scene of the celebrated Fischer-Spassky clash of 1972, and reeled off an amazing six consecutive wins, demolishing among others Korchnoi, Timman and Ljubojevic.

But if he is to make a realistic assault on the world title he will need tremendous back-up resources. Talent alone is not enough to defeat the Russians with all their state-funded advisers, analysts and gatherers of information.

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Reports of the Brussels games will appear daily in The Times.

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MISSILES AND MISTRUST

The US Secretary of State arrives in Moscow today with two main items on his agenda. One is arms control, which returned to the centre of the superpower stage on Friday after Mr Gorbachov's speech in Prague. The other is embassy security, which for all its colourful detail looks increasingly like a sideshow.

Many will be relieved that Mr Gorbachov's offer to discuss limits on shorter-range missiles in Europe before any cuts in intermediate-range forces (INF) are agreed has partially displaced the public quarrel about espionage. Before the dispute surfaced, the auguries for agreement on arms control had looked especially favourable. It would have been unfortunate if charges of espionage (which are, after all, a fact of life) had prevented Mr Shultz from at least testing what Moscow had to offer.

The Soviet leader and his advisers showed sprightly diplomacy in recognizing Western concern about an INF agreement so quickly. Perhaps it was a result of their encounter with Mrs Thatcher and her forthright exposition of Western fears. Whatever the reason, their clear appreciation of where the chief obstacle to an INF agreement lay – in the USSR's overwhelming superiority in shorter-range nuclear missiles – exhibited a welcome responsiveness on the Soviet side.

None the less, the timing of Mr Gorbachov's announcement, just 72 hours before Mr Shultz's long-planned visit to Moscow, suggests an element of brinkmanship. It has left the West very little time to consider the new Soviet position with the seriousness it appears to merit and to co-ordinate its response. It holds the danger that the Americans might be rushed into accepting an agreement that the West would later regret. The near-agreement at Reykjavik illustrated the perils of hasty and ill-prepared discussion on complex subjects.

Despite this caveat, Mr Shultz is right to go to Moscow with arms control firmly at the top of his agenda. The half year since the failure of the Reykjavik summit has seen a series of Soviet concessions in this area. Some, like the extension of the now-abandoned moratorium on nuclear testing, were little more than propaganda. Others, however, above all Moscow's recent change of heart on the paramountcy of delaying the US Strategic Defence Initiative, seem to indicate a genuine interest by Moscow in compromise.

Soviet discussion of verification, hitherto a sticking point at all East-West arms control forums, also indicates a change of emphasis on a subject close to the West's heart. So too does Mr Gorbachov's announcement in Prague about preparations for destroying chemical weapons. Mr Shultz's visit to Moscow represents the first opportunity for these changes to be explored in a serious manner. Sufficient time has passed since Reykjavik for that failure not to embitter the atmosphere.

Yet the atmosphere for Mr Shultz's visit to Moscow *has* been embittered – by the recent charges and countercharges of espionage. The importance of such episodes should not be exaggerated. They have become almost a traditional accoutrement of US-Soviet foreign ministers' meetings. Think back to the appearance of "spy dust" at the US embassy in Moscow in the summer of 1985, accusations of Soviet spying at the United Nations and the case of Nicholas Daniloff a year later. But disputes about espionage should not be ignored either.

The extent to which US embassy security appears to have been compromised illustrates once again the vulnerability of an open society against one which is still closed. That the patriotism of the USA's élite marine guard should have been impugned represents a regrettable lapse in US – and therefore Western – security. Above all, however, the latest accusations demonstrate the deep mistrust which still divides East and West. That mistrust restricts Mr Shultz's room for negotiation.

Two weeks ago Mr Gorbachov heard from Mrs Thatcher what he has repeatedly heard from President Reagan: that the success of arms control agreements depends on mutual trust and not *vice versa*. Mistrust has been fostered over the years by Soviet conduct towards its own people, towards its allies and towards third countries. More than missile-counting will be needed to remove it.

THE DOLLAR DEFICIT

As finance ministers and central bankers of the seven major industrial countries were congratulating themselves on a successful recommitment to exchange rate stability last week, foreign exchange dealers were selling dollars as fast as they could. The gap between ministers' glad confident morn and rude reality in the markets has seldom been wider.

Reaction to the meetings of the Group of Seven and International Monetary Fund must put a serious question mark over the future of the Paris accord on stability in the currency markets. It is not very useful to say that exchange rates are in line with economic fundamentals "around current levels" if current levels keep moving in one direction. Most of the pressure, it is true, has been on a single exchange rate – dollars against yen – but if central banks cannot defend that rate why should anyone suppose that they can or will defend any other?

The Paris accord was based on the presumption that in ushering in an era of exchange rate stability finance ministers and central bankers were working with the grain of financial markets. Over the past three weeks this has clearly not been so. If stability is to remain as an official aspiration it will be as well to acknowledge at a suitable moment – probably at the Venice summit in June if not before – that the original pattern of exchange rates which was approved in Paris was inappropriate.

It is worth persevering with a commitment to stability. As the Chancellor, Mr Nigel Lawson, told the IMF on Thursday, shocks to the world economy such as the fall in oil prices and the prolonged devaluation of the dollar tend to lead to lower rates of growth. Adjusting to new patterns of commodity prices or new exchange rates has a cost. Instead of gradually brightening, as was expected this time last year, prospects for the world economy have got steadily gloomier.

For the UK there is the further consideration that exchange rate policy has essentially supplanted monetary policy. It is much easier to use the exchange rate as a guide to financial conditions when markets are stable than when rates are moving about all over the place.

What has been achieved at this week's meetings is the delivery of a clear message to Japan that it has a responsibility – to itself as well as to others – both to stimulate domestic demand insofar as that will not run inflationary risks and to open up its markets further to foreign goods and services. It emerged in the course of the week that the Japanese government was planning budgetary action later in the year to help stimulate its economy and was bringing forward public works programmes. These are likely to be relatively modest measures, and given the political difficulties faced by the Japanese Prime Minister, Mr Yasuhiro Nakasone, it is not certain that they will ever materialize.

Nor has any substantive progress yet been made on the more important question of opening Japan's markets wider to foreign competition. But while question marks remain over Mr Nakasone's capacity to deliver, other countries appear to be confident they have got the message over to him and his government.

Much less clear is whether President Reagan is equally appraised of the need to reduce the US budget deficit. If the trade imbalance is to be tackled, fiscal deflation in the US is the equal and opposite requirement of fiscal reflation in Japan and Germany. If federal spending in the US cannot be cut then taxes must be increased. This message has got through to Congress, including many Republicans, and to several members of the Administration. It is one which President Reagan should now heed.

EGYPT'S ECONOMIC ROAD

It was never intended that last week's elections in Egypt would produce a change of government. President Mubarak's National Democratic Party swept predictably back to victory with 70 per cent of the vote. The opposition parties have increased their representation, but not enough either to change the main function of the parliament as a body to rubber-stamp the president's commands, or to jeopardize his re-election later this year.

But the election has thrown up one surprise. The existing main opposition party, the New Wafd, has unexpectedly been overtaken by an electoral alliance composed of the small Liberal and Labour parties and, in an unoffical capacity, the Muslim Brotherhood.

During Egypt's last elections, three years ago, the Brotherhood teamed up with the New Wafd, a centre right party echoing the policies of pre-revolutionary Egypt. That alliance was swiftly dissolved. This time it is the Liberal and Labour parties which have benefited from the Islamic vote. Now the Brotherhood itself will have more seats than in the previous parliament. The opposition will in consequence be both further to the left and further towards the Islamic right than the present government would have chosen. In particular, there will be calls for the institution of Islamic law and for the severance of ties with Israel.

The vote provides a visible sign that the political influence of Islam is increasing. It does not yet seriously disturb the reasonably tolerant, secular and pro-western Mubarak government. But it does present the problem of how its spread can be checked.

In Arab politics as a whole, there is little that Egypt can do to alter its current position. Although relations with the moderate Arab world have greatly improved over the last three years, Egypt's full renewal of diplomatic ties and re-admittance to the Arab League require the acquiescence of Syria. There is no sign that Syria is yet willing to oblige.

An international conference on the Middle East, which might help restore Egypt to its former central role in the Arab world, remains a pipe dream. Abandoning the peace treaty with Israel, with consequent loss of American support, has never been an option open to Mubarak – nor one that the Egyptian public would choose.

The available evidence suggests that Islamic fundamentalism flourishes not because of relations with Israel, but because of dissatisfaction with the economic situation. It is to the economy that the president, with the election out of the way, should now turn his attention.

Since inheriting power in 1981, Mubarak has consistently avoided taking economic measures which would encourage investment and productivity and halt Egypt's economic slide. Although there has been some tinkering with the prices of heavily-subsidized consumer goods, subsidies remain an overwhelming drain on the economy.

The country's debt now stands at $40 billion, and rescheduling is urgently required. This will, however, require an agreement with the IMF, to which the Egyptians have been reluctant to agree for fear of riots. A draft letter of intent has been drawn up with the IMF containing a modest set of reforms, including an adjustment of the exchange rate and increased energy prices.

The president should settle this agreement as quickly as possible. For six years, Mubarak has successfully maintained Egypt as an island of relative stability in a volatile part of the world. If he is to keep his opponents at bay, he will have to tread the path of economic reform.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Coping with national disasters

From Mr R. W. Suddards

Sir, It was distressing to read of the experiences of Sondra Lawrence in the article (April 8) about the Zeebrugge disaster. I have no knowledge on the other side of her painful story, but the facts as related are terribly sad.

She raises the question of a possible relative liaison agency which would be able to go into action, "necessary to put the relatives' interests first". Respectfully, I applaud this idea and would suggest some extension.

When my colleagues and I were charged with the administration of the Bradford Disaster Appeal Fund we received spontaneous voluntary and immediate assistance from our predecessors in Aberfan and Penlee. This helped us and we in turn hope to have given some help to the Dover Disaster Fund trustees.

I believe there could be a real benefit in setting up a small group of people who could monitor knowledge on a number of fronts which are involved in relation to disasters – the comforting of grief and worry, the best way to disseminate information to the families, the identification of victims, the problems of financial compensation, the establishment and administration of appeal funds and the most sensible way to establish the right relations with the media, so that on the one hand the public is properly informed and on the other privacy is not intruded.

Although such knowledge may be available now, it is difficult to assemble quickly, particularly in a time of crisis. Presently, no one agency can have these facts available.

Sondra Lawrence suggests a small nucleus of permanent staff. I believe that the establishment of the rather more comprehensive group I have postulated could be effected with almost no staff and at the most minimal of cost.

The essential matter would be to know who has the most up-to-date information and to publicise the sources of this information, so that it can be made available if disaster occurs immediately (i.e., within hours, not days). I do not consider this need be expensive or cumbersome. It could ideally be effected by Government or a public body.

I certainly would be happy myself to co-ordinate a steering committee or suggest the names of those who might comprise such a committee. If any volunteers communicated with me, I would try to progress the idea.

Yours faithfully,
ROGER W. SUDDARDS,
(Chairman of Trustees, Bradford Disaster Appeal),
128 Sunbridge Road,
Bradford, West Yorkshire.
April 9.

From the Reverend David Barnes

Sir, Much discussion has taken place recently concerning the question of what is described as "intrusion" by the Press and television into private grief at times of major accidents or natural disasters; the general view seems to be that such intrusion is wholly unacceptable.

Whilst it is undeniably true that there have been occasions when grossly insensitive questions have been asked by reporters, there is another important aspect which deserves consideration.

Many bereaved persons will have experienced the feeling of extraordinary isolation in which they find themselves at the time of their loss. Possibly from embarrassment, perhaps through lack of ability to find the right words, or from some other cause, the fact is that at the very time when human support is most needed, it is not always there; and those who have been bereaved find themselves shunned or avoided by friends and neighbours.

The publicity afforded by the media clearly compensates for this. It has the effect of drawing the sympathetic concern of the whole nation to those whose grief and suffering are so great; and it generates that cathartic and healing empathy which is so important at times of such grievous pain and loss.

Yours faithfully,
DAVID BARNES,
St Peter's House,
2 St Peter's Close, Halfway,
Minster-in-Sheppey, Kent.

Heritage at stake in Gibraltar

From Lieutenant-Colonel J. J. Porral

Sir, As chairman-designate of the Gibraltar Heritage Trust, which should be statutorily established later this month, I was glad to see that a quarter of – if I may say so – your excellent "Focus" special report on Gibraltar (March 26) was devoted to the Gibraltar heritage issue, both the "man-made" heritage and our flora and fauna (there is, as well, the "written heritage", which we shall also be concerned to preserve).

I believe that we are making very good progress. The board of the trust will be 37-strong, apolitical, widely representative of all sectors of opinion and crammed with local expertise. It has appointed five subcommittees to look into priority issues and report. It will be looking to the UK Society of Friends to provide whatever additional specialised expertise is not available here.

We see our aim primarily as squaring the circle: the reconciliation of pressing development needs with the magnificent heritage – the "unique concentration" – which lies all around us. Through close co-operation between the Development and Planning Commission, the trust, and all other interested parties, we hope to achieve the mutual enhancement of development and of the heritage.

The trust has been assured of full support by the Gibraltar Government and by the Opposition and this was made plain during the second reading of the trust Bill in the House of Assembly on March 24. I believe we shall also obtain substantial public support not only in Gibraltar but in Britain. Gibraltar's heritage is as much Britain's as it is ours. The auguries are good.

Yours faithfully,
J. J. PORRAL
(Chairman-designate,
Gibraltar Heritage Trust),
120 Main Street,
Gibraltar.
April 9.

Chaucer memorial

From Mr David Hewson

Sir, If Sylvia Denning (feature, April 4) really believes that the best memorial to Chaucer would be somewhere "where people can learn and practise such activities as medieval instrument-making, wool-carding, calligraphy and medieval cooking, spinning and weaving", could she kindly take her ideas to Blackpool, where they belong. Canterbury has quite enough of this sort of tourist claptrap as it is.

Chaucer has the greatest memorial any author could ask: he remains in print in virtually every bookshop in Britain. A small performance space in Canterbury for declamatory works by Chaucer and other authors would be an innovatory venture; to dress it up in doublet and hose suggests that Chaucer's only value is as historical data, not as poetry.

Yours sincerely,
DAVID HEWSON,
The Old House,
Church Road,
Kennington,
Ashford, Kent.
April 6.

Planning consent

From Mr Benjamin Tobin

Sir, In your issue of March 30 the President of the Royal Town Planning Institute drew attention to the objection to charges for planning applications on the grounds of "natural justice", as supported by the Ombudsman. Of greater concern is the obstructions which certain London planning authorities are placing in the way of applications for outline planning consent.

In contrast to the previous practice of many years, certain authorities are now refusing to deal with such applications unless they are accompanied by detailed drawings. At the same time planning officers are less willing to offer any positive idea of the likely outcome of a planning application since many planning committees appear to take little cognizance of the recommendations of their professional advisers and do not always follow consistent policies.

The purpose of outline planning applications is to allow a developer to ascertain quickly and simply whether a proposal is likely to be acceptable while allowing the planning authority to retain complete control over all of the details of the development.

While there might be arguments against the use of outline applications for major developments, for small simple local proposals, councils are merely placing an obstruction in the way of economic activity which they should really welcome.

Yours faithfully,
BENJAMIN TOBIN,
Strettons (Chartered Surveyors),
460-462 Hoe Street, E17.
March 31.

Advantage Japan

From Dr L. G. Cuthbert

Sir, We have a particular interest in the Race (Research in Advanced Communications in Europe) programme, that covers research leading to the introduction of an integrated broadband telecommunications network for Europe.

Not only is such a network essential for the long-term integration of Europe, it is also certain that it will eventually happen. The purpose of the Race programme is to ensure that it is European manfuacturers who will be in a position to provide this network.

Following a week when a possible trade war with Japan has occupied a dominant position in the news it is surprising that the UK Government is taking a stance that will, in the long-term, aid the Japanese penetration of the European telecommunications market.

Yours faithfully,
L. G. CUTHBERT,
Queen Mary College,
Department of Electrical and Electronic Engineering,
Mile End Road, E1.

Beauty of Bath

From Councillor Bryan Jones

Sir, I was interested to read Chris Patten's letter (April 2). Two significant facts were omitted:

1. The operation of a ban on coaches is a complicated statutory process. To have extended the experimental ban to the Circus would have meant a delay in the implementation of the ban in the Royal Crescent until after the summer months.

2. A move to persuade Avon County Council to delegate traffic management powers to Bath City Council was supported by all the Alliance members of the county council but defeated because only two of the Conservative councillors voted for it.

Yours faithfully,
BRYAN JONES,
Springwood,
Lansdown Road,
Bath, Avon.
April 3.

EEC food surplus

From Mr Edward McMillan-Scott, MEP for York (European Democrat (Conservative))

Sir, Last Spring you published a letter (May 24, 1986) in which I pointed out the difference between the cereal surplus produced by the EEC's 11million farmers – and 20million tonnes – and that produced by the USA's 2.5million farmers – 80million tonnes.

Richard Owen's report on March 26 about the European Parliament's inquiry into the surplus problem failed to mention that evidence given by Richard W. Goldberg, US Under-Secretary for Agriculture, confirmed the figures today as 17million tonnes and 220million respectively.

Last year I asked "is it not time that the US and Europe made common cause in agriculture?". Despite the cutbacks in the Cap which Europe is now making, I regret to report little response from the USA.

Yours faithfully
EDWARD McMILLAN-SCOTT,
European Parliament,
Rue Belliard,
Brussels 1040, Belgium.

Ice cream query

From Mr H. Golding

Sir, Five years ago the author, Heinz Ohff, sent me a copy of his book, *Fürst Hermann Pückler* (Stapp Verlag), which I found so engrossing that I produced an English version. The following extracts may prove helpful to Mr Michael Ashfield (April 6):

Count, later Prince, Pückler is remembered in popular parlance only for one of his less significant creations, a sort of iced confection. Besides which it is offered for sale in a grossly debased form between sticky wafers; the original recipe was, and still is, like everything that Pückler handed down to posterity, a delicacy. . . .

Here is the original recipe for "Pückler Ice" (six portions):

Half-litre of whipped cream, beaten stiff, mixed with two heaped tablespoons of fine sugar.

Divide into three equal portions.

Mix the first – which stays white – with a little glass of Maraschino or Kirschwasser.

Colour the second red with a third of a cupful of strawberries (helped, if needed, by a few drops of cochineal).

Place the third in two tablespoons of chocolate dissolved in a little water.

Chop 100 grammes of macaroons into small pieces, soak in maraschino or Kirschwasser, and divide among the three portions.

Using an icecream cone mould, stripe first the red, then the white, then the brown layer, cover with a sheet of white paper and press the lid down firmly.

The mould should stand completely covered for two to three hours in a mixture of ice and rock salt. Then dip in lukewarm water, dry quickly, open and turn out.

All this before the age of refrigeration!

Yours faithfully,
HENRY GOLDING,
161 Anns Hill Road,
Gosport, Hampshire.

Science in peril

From Mr D. R. W. George

Sir, Your leader (March 27) on university research funding provokes several comments based on the selectivity of the logic employed and the unrefined approach you adopt to a complicated area.

First, if you propose the redistribution of the notional 35 per cent of funding devoted to research, you should include all universities, not just the 12 on your list. It is fanciful to suppose that equity would be served by continuing to support the "below average" departments in the other 40 or so institutions on the University Grants Committee's grant list, while demanding that the "above average" and "outstanding" here at Dundee, and in the other 11 you single out, should be placed in a peculiar category of their own.

Second, we have one area of research, in the "below average" department of physics, which is by any standard extraordinarily good. The amorphous semiconductor group led by Professor Walter Spear (one of the four fellows of the Royal Society in our small faculty of science) devised and developed thin film technology which was taken up not by UK industry but by Japan.

Consequently, one of our major competitors has a £250million-a-year industry. Sceptical ministers and company chairmen may complain that university research is insufficiently applied, but our experience is hardly calculated to make us listen to them uncritically. How often is our experience repeated in the other 11 universities?

If you are going to address a complex subject such as research in universities should you not use a rapier? The bludgeon applied with such vigour on this occasion does little to stimulate informed debate and does positive damage by implying that there is a subclass of universities which should be singled out for illogical treatment.

Yours faithfully,
DAVID GEORGE,
Assistant Secretary,
The University,
Dundee, Tayside.
March 27.

Victorian values

From Earl Kitchener of Khartoum

Sir, The opinion of your contributor Alice Thomas Ellis (Wednesday page, April 8) that the patriotism of the Victorians "led to the horrors of 1914-1918" should not be left unchallenged. It led to many of our countrymen fighting and dying for the rule of international law and for the rights of small nations.

Yours faithfully,
KITCHENER,
House of Lords.
April 8.

Clamp down

From Dr A. G. R. Ashe

Sir, Recently I became one of the now far from exclusive club of central London general practitioners who have fallen victim to the newly privatised clamping units.

That which is a major inconvenience to plying one's trade in central London becomes, for the customers, a needless prolongation of suffering at best and, at worst, a mortifying experience.

I remain, yours faithfully,
ANTONY ASHE,
51 Sloane Street, SW1.
April 4.

From Mrs C. S. Fremantle

Sir, On Friday, April 3, at 7.10 pm (Wetherby Gardens at Gloucester Road), I saw my first clamped taxi.

What next?
CHRISTINE FREMANTLE,
20 Macduff Road, SW11.
April 3.

ON THIS DAY

APRIL 13 1918

The great German offensive had opened on March 21. Its two chief objectives – to divide the British and French and to capture the Channel ports – were both denied and the battle petered out at the end of April. In July the Allied counter-attack began, under Marshal Foch

"FIGHT IT OUT."

SIR D. HAIG'S ORDER TO THE ARMY.

The following Special Order of the Day by Field-Marshal Sir Douglas Haig is issued for the information of troops in France:–

To all ranks of the British Army in France and Flanders.

Three weeks ago to-day the enemy began his terrific attacks against us on a 50-mile front. His objects are to separate us from the French, to take the Channel Ports, and destroy the British Army.

In spite of throwing already 106 divisions into the battle, and enduring the most reckless sacrifice of human life, he has, as yet, made little progress towards his goals. We owe this to the determined fighting and self-sacrifice of our troops.

Words fail me to express the admiration which I feel for the splendid resistance offered by all ranks of our Army under the most trying circumstances.

Many amongst us now are tired. To those I would say that victory will belong to the side which holds out the longest.

The French Army is moving rapidly and in great force to our support.

There is no other course open to us but to fight it out. Every position must be held to the last man: there must be no retirement. With our backs to the wall, and believing in the justice of our cause, each one of us must fight on to the end.

The safety of our homes and the freedom of mankind depend alike upon the conduct of each one of us at this critical moment.

"Our Backs to the Wall."

. . . . [SIR DOUGLAS HAIG's] grave and moving words reveal the nature of the crisis which is swiftly developing in France, and we can add nothing to their force. Though meant to inspire our gallant troops, who are fighting desperately for every foot of ground against heavy odds, they must be taken to heart by every man and woman in these islands. "The conduct of each one of us," both here and across the Atlantic, should be guided every hour by the thought that the whole fortunes of the Allies are now at stake, and that no sacrifice can be too great, no effort too small, in the supreme task of giving all possible help to the brave men who are battling day and night against the overwhelming German hordes. SIR DOUGLAS HAIG tersely declares that the objects of the enemy are "to separate us from the French, to take the Channel ports, and destroy the British Army." We may add that at this moment their leading divisions of infantry on the left centre of their battle front are only forty miles from Calais, a situation which is without precedent since the war began. Moreover, it must again be emphasized that there is no reason to suppose that the Germans have abandoned their plans on the Somme. In spite of the advances they have made before Armentières, it is still too soon to assume that the direct thrust in the north for the Channel ports has become the major operation. Very large masses of the enemy remain assembled in the neighbourhood of our old Somme battlefield. While guarding the northern gates, we have still to be prepared for the further blow at Amiens and Doullens and the line of the Somme estuary which may be attempted at any moment. The reports of very fierce artillery fire yesterday morning in the angle formed by the confluence of the Somme and the Ancre were not without significance.

COURT CIRCULAR

WINDSOR CASTLE

April 11: The Duke of Edinburgh, Patron and Trustee of The Duke of Edinburgh's Award Scheme, this evening attended the Annual Dinner of the Federation of Multiple DIY Retailers (Chairman, Mr Richard Clark) at the Lakeside Country Club, Camberley, Surrey.

Captain Michael Chitty was in attendance.

April 12: By command of The Queen, the Viscount Boyne (Lord-in-Waiting) was present at Heathrow Airport, London, this morning upon the departure of the Governor-General of Barbados and bade farewell to his Excellency on behalf of Her Majesty.

The Queen was represented by His Excellency Sir Allen Lewis (Governor-General of Saint Lucia) at the Funeral of His Excellency Dr Claudius Thomas (High Commissioner for Eastern Caribbean States in London) which was held at Holy Trinity Anglican Church, Castries, Saint Lucia this afternoon.

BUCKINGHAM PALACE

April 12: The Princess Anne, Mrs Mark Phillips, President, Federation Equestre Internationale, today attended the Volvo World Cup Final for Jumping Riders in Paris.

Her Royal Highness, attended by the Countess of Lichfield, travelled in an aircraft of The Queen's Flight.

KENSINGTON PALACE

April 11: The Princess Margaret, Countess of Snowdon, as Visitor of the King George VI and Queen Elizabeth Foundation of St Catharine's was present this evening at a Dinner and Plenary Session of St Catharine's Conference on Britain and the Commonwealth at Cumberland Lodge, The Great Park, Windsor.

Mrs Elizabeth Blair was in attendance.

April 12: The Princess Margaret, Countess of Snowdon was present this evening at the 'Will-Aid' Gala for Action Against Aids which was held at Sadler's Wells Theatre.

Mrs Elizabeth Blair was in attendance.

YORK HOUSE
ST JAMES'S PALACE

April 11: The Duchess of Kent today attended the Gala Concert of the international Violin Competition at Leas Cliff Hall, Folkesone.

Her Royal Highess, who travelled in an aircraft of The Queen's Flight, was attended by Miss Sarah Partridge.

A memorial service for Mr Henry J. (Jack) Heinz II will be held in the Grosvenor Chapel, South Audley Street, W1, at 11 am on Tuesday, April 28.

A memorial stone will be dedicated to Sir Donald Wolfit at the actors' church, St Paul's Covent Garden, on April 23, 1987, at noon.

Clifford Longley

Bishops looking neither left nor right

Exchanges in the House of Commons on *Thursday indicate that both Labour and* the Alliance now favour the de-politicization of episcopal appointments.

It was a Labour Prime Minister, Mr James Callaghan, who insisted on retaining an element of political choice when the present system started a decade ago. His reasons, which the Church of England did not dispute at the time, were concerned with protecting the integrity of the constitutional conventions governing membership of the House of Lords.

Only the Prime Minister can advise the Sovereign on appointments to the peerage, he insisted, and diocesan bishops are in a similar category because the most senior 26 of them sit ex officio in the Lords.

But the opposition parties' interest in these matters may well not be particularly welcome in the Church of England, where it is strongly felt that any new initiative to adjust the conventions of the church-state relationship should come from the church side.

Opportunistic political stirring, even with the paradoxical aim of reducing political involvement in church affairs, cuts across this principle. The church certainly does not want to see church-state questions become a political football.

A high-level review of the workings of the Crown Appointments Commission was completed last year under the chairmanship of the former Archbishop of York Lord Blanch. Both the review committee and the General Synod decided to leave things as they are, at least for the time being.

There was more interest in extending the work of the present Commission to include other areas of the political patronage system, such as the nomination of deans and provost.

The review committee nevertheless failed to bring fully into the church's focus one possible loophole in the present concordat for the appointment of bishops, namely the scope for political lobbying of the Prime Minister once the Crown Appointments Commission's role has been discharged.

The Commission forwards to 10 Downing Street two names and a report of its findings. But there is nothing to prevent the Prime Minister taking further soundings or listening to further advice.

Indeed the Callaghan formula implicitly allows for it: if the Prime Minister of the day is to exercise a real measure of discretion over the composition of the Bench of Bishops, he or she must be free to collect information on which to base that discretion. Nor can the Prime Minister be bound by the confidentiality which binds the church.

But if the Callaghan formula is being complied with in the spirit as well as in the letter, the questions for the Prime Minister to decide would be about the eventual composition of the House of Lords, not the present political complexion of the church's leadership in general.

Thus in the case of Birmingham, where there is evidence of a decisive exercise of Prime Ministerial discretion, Mrs Margaret Thatcher is entitled to decide that the Lords could do with a good ecumenical theologian among episcopal members, especially one who is expert in Anglican-Roman Catholic relations.

The Anglican-Roman Catholic International Commission, of which the new Bishop-elect of Birmingham is a chairman, will sooner or later have to discuss the relevance of the Church of England's legal establishment under the British Constitution (and the Vatican has already suggested it is has to be looked at).

What better way could there be for that discussion to be well-informed, than to have a chairman on the inside track? And the state has an interest in establishment too: it is not something only the church may decide.

Most of the church would be sceptical at a defence of the appointment of the Right Rev Mark Santer to Birmingham along those lines, however.

What alarms it, is any hint that the Prime Minister's discretion is being influenced not by such considerations as these, but by pressure from the small group of Conservative MPs who have put up a barrage of insults at the present leadership of the Church of England, and who wish to reclaim it as "the Tory Party at prayer". For Mr Callaghan did not reserve the ultimate choice to 10 Downing Street in order to pack the bench with left-wing bishops, or for a Tory successor to do the opposite.

Mrs Thatcher's bishops are in fact of much the same political spread as his. She has "appointed" more than half the diocesan bishops.

If there is single dry "Thatcherite" among them, he has yet to declare himself: they bear more the stamp of Runcie than of Thatcher. Her latest, Birmingham, is in the same mould.

On the whole the Church of England finds it hard to be generous to Mrs Thatcher, but her actual performance in supervising top church appointments belies her reputation. She has been a fair steward.

The luxury of choice represented by the availability for promotion of two such distinctive candidates as the Bishop of Kensington and the Bishop of Stepney is a good sign for the Church of England, even if only one of them can wear the Birmingham mitre. The other will undoubtedly be promoted elsewhere in time.

As both are already suffragan bishops, and both were therefore elevated to episcopacy without political intervention — the appointment of suffragans is not subject to Prime Ministerial discretion — this is a sign that the church is beginning to produce a more open and systematic approach to finding its future leadership.

But it cannot have its cake and eat it. It has been lucky with Mrs Thatcher. What it has to fear is a Prime Minister who really does intend to produce a revolution in the social and economic climate in Britain, and who sees, like Marx, that the best place to start is with the church.

Nature notes



Cuckoos have been heard in Sussex and the Isle of Wight. In a few weeks they will have spread to the North of Scotland and the Hebrides.

Willow warblers are arriving on birch commons and in small spinneys between fields. Their song is a cadence of sweet, trickling notes, that rises for a moment before its final fall.

In parks and old woods, redstarts just in from Central Africa are flicking their scarlet tails. Wrens normally sculpt in brambles and ferns, but just now they can be seen singing well up in the trees.

Starlings and robins are building their nests. Some hedge-sparrows and song thrushes are already sitting on eggs.

Leaf-buds are opening on all sides. Along the dry, brown larch twigs there are small trumpets of bright green needles. The pointed beech buds are opening into downy shoots.

Oak buds are bright red but not quite ready to break. On sallow trees, the airy catkins are full of golden pollen. DJM

Forthcoming marriages

Mr D.L. Gross
and Miss V.J. Hanham
The engagement is announced between David, son of Dr and Mrs Joseph Gross, of Chappaqua, New York, and Victoria, daughter of Sir Michael Hanham, Bt, and Lady Hanham, of Deans Court, Wimborne.

Mr R.J.M. Ames
and Miss S.V. Davenport
The engagement is announced between Richard, only son of the late Mr F.J. Ames and of Mrs J.H. Cheer, of Dallas, and Sally, only daughter of Mr T.A. Davenport, of Romsey, Hampshire, and Mrs M.C. Davenport, of Warrington, Cheshire.

Mr M.C.M. Bricknell, RAMC,
and Miss K.M. Fellbaum
The engagement is announced between Martin Charles Marshall, eldest son of Commander and Mrs C.A. Bricknell, of Hurstpierpoint, Sussex, and Kathryn Margaret, elder daughter of the late Kurt Fellbaum and of Mrs Elizabeth Fellbaum, of Brighton, Sussex.

Mr P.D. Cohen
and Miss S.F.M. Turner
The engagement is announced between Paul, only son of Mr and Mrs Bram Cohen, of Ballybrack, Co Dublin, and Sara, only daughter of Squadron Leader and Mrs Christopher Turner, of Farnham, Surrey.

Mr D.R.C.B. de Beaumont
and Miss G.M-L. McLaren
The engagement is announced between Dominic, only son of Mr Robin de Beaumont, of Chelsea, and Mrs Joy de Beaumont, of Fulham, and Gillian, younger daughter of Mr and Mrs David McLaren, of Twickenham, Middlesex.

Mr E. Groves
and Miss L.M. Momber
The engagement is announced between Edwin, only son of Mr and Mrs C. Groves, of Deanshanger, Northamptonshire, and Lucinda Mary, only daughter of Mr and Mrs F.E. Momber, of Blinkworth, Greatham, Hampshire.

Mr R.L. Law
and Miss F.M. Bingham
The engagement is announced between Robert Lachlan, only son of Mr and Mrs Robin Law, Turnpike House, Withersfield, Suffolk, and Frances Mary, eldest daughter of Mr and Mrs John Bingham, Campfield Farm, Ravenshead, Nottingham.

Mr M.K. Tafft
and Miss J. Devine
The engagement is announced between Martin, only son of Mr and Mrs B.K. Tafft, Ferryhill, Co Durham, and Joanne, only daughter of Mr and Mrs J.B. Devine, Hadley Wood, Hertfordshire.

Mr D.M. Wyatt
and Miss J. Willett
The engagement is announced between Derek, younger son of Mr R.S. Wyatt, of East Preston, Sussex, and Mrs M. Wyatt, of Nanaimo, British Columbia, Canada, and Joanna, elder daughter of Mr and Mrs A.R. Willett, of Montpelier Square, London, SW7.

Marriages

Mr S.R. Aubrey Jones
and Miss D.S. Fife
The marriage tok place on Saturday, April 11, in the Queen's Chapel of the Savoy, London, WC2, between Mr Simon Aubrey Jones, younger son of Mr and Mrs Aubrey Jones, of London, W14, and Miss Deborah Fife, daughter of Mrs Edward Fife, of Crans-sur-Sierre, Switzerland.

Mr S.R. Cross
and Miss L.C. Mackintosh
The marriage took place on Saturday, April 11, in St Andrew's Cathedral, Inverness, of Mr Stuart Robert Cross, son of Mr and Mrs Robert Cross, and Miss Louisa Celia Mackintosh, elder daughter of the Mackintosh and Mrs Mackintosh of Mackintosh.

Mr P.S. Gerbrandy
and Miss L.J. Jackson
The marriage took place on Saturday, April 11, at St Luke's Church, Brierfield, between Mr Pieter Sjoerds Gerbrandy, elder son of Mr S.P. Gerbrandy and Mrs A.N. Gerbrandy-Kielman, of Amsterdam, The Netherlands, and Miss Lesley Jean Jackson, eldest daughter of Mr and Mrs R. Jackson, of Brierfield, Lancashire. The Rev Steven Ballard officiated.

Mr C.L.P. Grant
and Miss L. Davies
The marriage took place on Saturday, April 11, in Camberwell, between Mr Clifford Grant, son of Mr L.Grant and of Mrs N. Grant, and Lyne (Tuppence) Davies, daughter of Mrs S. Davies.
A reception was held afterwards at the Hilton Hotel.

Mr A.R.J. Mynott
and Miss C.E. Schug
The marriage took place in Harrogate on Saturday, April 11, 1987, between Mr Adam Mynott, son of Dr and Mrs M.J. Mynott, of Eastbourne, Sussex, and Miss Carol Schug, only daughter of Mr and Mrs W. Schug, of Appleby in Westmoreland, Cumbria.

Mr M. Owen
and Miss S.E. Clements
The marriage took place on Saturday at St Mark's, Rosherville, Gravesend, Kent, between Mr Mark Owen and Miss Susan Clements.

Mr P.S. Phillips
and Miss O.L.C. Lloyd-Jacob
The marriage took place on Friday, at St Lawrence Jewry-next-Guildhall, of Mr Peter Phillips, only son of Mrs Patricia Witchell, of Petersfield, Hampshire, and Mr Nigel Phillips, of Deal, Kent, and Miss Clio Lloyd-Jacob, younger daughter of Mrs Clare Lloyd-Jacob, of London, and Mr David Lloyd-Jacob, of Sewickley, Pennsylvania. The Rev David Burgess officiated.
A reception was held in the Crypt of Guildhall.

Mr H.J. Wade
and Miss M.J. Stewart
The marriage took place in Upper Dean, Bedfordshire, on Saturday, April 11, 1987, between Mr Harry Wade and Miss Jane Stewart.

Anniversaries

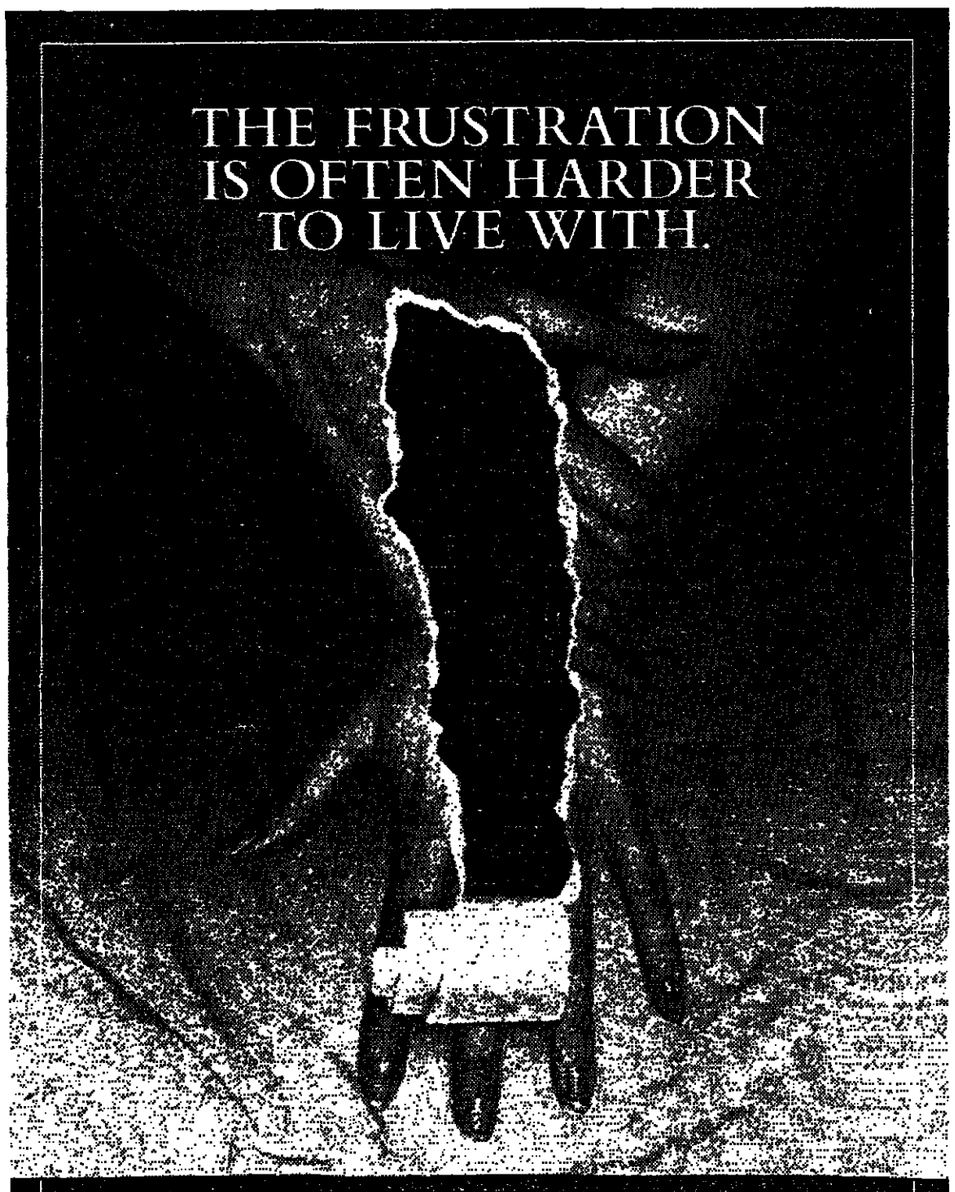
BIRTHS: Frederick North, second earl of Guildford, prime minister 1770-82, London, 1732; Thomas Jefferson, third president of the United States 1801-09, Shadwell, Virginia, 1743; Richard Trevithick, pioneer of locomotive engines, Illogan, Cornwall, 1771; György Lukacs, philosopher, Budapest, 1885.

DEATHS: Jean de La Fontaine, poet and collector of fables, Paris, 1695; Charles Leslie, controversialist, Monaghan, Republic of Ireland, 1722; Hugh Clapperton, Africa explorer, Sokoto, Nigeria, 1827.

Service Dinners

The Royal Wiltshire Yeomanry
Colonel J.I. Morrison presided at the annual dinner of The Royal Wiltshire Yeomanry held on Saturday at the Bear Hotel, Devizes.

Cambridgeshire Regiment (TA)
Colonel R.A. Shervington presided at the annual dinner of the Cambridgeshire Regiment (TA) Officers' Dining Club held on Saturday at the University Arms Hotel, Cambridge. Mr M. Bevan, Lord Lieutenant of Cambridgeshire, was the guest of honour.



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OBITUARY

PRIMO LEVI

Recorder of Auschwitz atrocities



Primo Levi, the most articulate of the survivors of the concentration camps, and who wrote compellingly about his experiences, died in Turin on April 11, aged 67.

Levi, whose writings about Auschwitz are immortal documents of the Second World War, gave many lectures, especially to children, in the hope that this would help to prevent a repetition of the holocaust.

His literary style was the result of his many fine qualities, chief of which were his warm humanity, his analytical mind and his outstanding sense of justice. The tone and content of his writings about the camps ensured the effectiveness of his message.

He was a distinguished novelist and poet, and regularly wrote essays for the Turin newspaper *La Stampa* on a wide range of subjects.

Primo Levi was born in Turin on July 31, 1919 in the flat where he lived and died. He was the son of Dr and Mrs Cesare Levi. His ancestors came to Italy from Spain in the 16th century and Levi was brought up as a Jew, although the family was not religious.

He went to school at the renowned Liceo Massimo D'Azeglio. From there, he went on to the University of Turin in 1939, just before the introduction of Mussolini's race laws, which would have prevented his enrolment.

These laws made his life at the university more difficult, and the realisation of his Jewishness was forced upon him, though he remained agnositc all his life. He graduated in chemistry in 1941, and managed to find work as an industrial chemist with employers who were prepared to ignore the race laws. He lived a hand to mouth existence, going from one poorly paid job to another.

In 1943, the north of Italy was occupied by the Germans, and he joined the partisans. In the December of that year, his unit of 11 poorly armed men — Levi's own arsenal comprised a pearl handled lady's revolver and a few cartridges — was betrayed. They were captured by a force of 300 soldiers before they had time to fire a shot. As he was a Jew, he eventually found himself in Auschwitz. Of the 650 people transported with him, only 24 survived.

Levi was short and slight, but wiry. In youth he enjoyed the sensation of developing himself physically, spending nights in the open on snow covered mountains, and he attributes his survival at Auschwitz partly to these preparations. Nevertheless he was losing the battle for survival when the Germans, who were hoping to produce Buna, an artificial rubber, in a factory inside the camp needed chemists.

Levi, near to death, managed to pass a chemistry viva, and was transferred to the factory. He survived the camps, and an interminable journey home, to take up again his old job as an industrial chemist, first in the varnish industry and finally he became a leading authority on ceramic coatings for wire.

On his return from captivity he felt compelled to write about his experiences, and the result was his masterpiece, *If this is a Man*, published in 1947. The book, and marriage, after a lightening courtship, to Lucia, who became a mainstay of his life, saved his sanity.

At this time he discovered that he had a twin career as a writer, but he worked on as a chemist for 30 years. Chemistry fascinated him and played a major role in his attitude to life. He gave entertaining descriptions of his chemical detective work, and drew parallels between chemistry and society.

The Truce, his second book, was published in 1963, and describes his attempts in 1945 to reach home through post-war eastern Europe. This odyssey took 10 months and the book won the Campiello prize.

In 1966, a collection of science fiction short stories called *Natural History* was published under the pseudonym of Damiana Malabaila, and this book won the Bagutta prize. 1971 saw the publication of *Vizio de Forma*, written in the same vein.

The Periodic System, a series of autobiographical stories, appeared in 1975. Four years later *The Monkey's Wrench* came out. This was a novel about the adventures of a steel erector. In 1981 *Lilit*, more short stories, and *La Ricerca delle Radice*, an anthology of other people's writings which had deeply affected him, were published.

If Not Now, When?, a novel about a band of Jewish Partisans during the war, came out in 1984. This was followed by *L'Altrui Mestiere*, and in 1986 by *The Submerged and the Saved*, both of which were collections of essays. His books were translated into many languages.

Primo Levi's early work consists mainly of strings of vignettes, written with the economy of a cartoonist, wonderfully full of insight and always just. In one of the stories he said that he was a man people told things to, and his remarkable memory allowed him to retell the tales. Whatever story he is telling, the underlying motive seems to be to explain to himself and to the reader, how the world ticks.

In *If this is a Man*, though moved to the depths of his being and a hair's breadth from death, he observed, described and tried to explain life in the camps, which he called "pre-eminently a gigantic bilogical and social experiement". He was an observer; as he said: "I had an intense wish to understand". He was not a judge, and although he knew where the blame lay, he did not labour it.

He wrote in neutral tones because he knew that a dispassionate description would be more effective, and he records the heinous activities of the camp guards, like a biologist describing the life cycle of the fruit fly. The frightful, unsensational descriptions of the camps make the horror more real, and at the same time his descriptions of the ways in which the doomed inmates contrived to maintian their humanity, unexpectedly gives one more faith in man.

Levi is always interesting because he had a rare eye for detail and unusual descriptive power. His stories are powerful, unsentimental and often funny, and they make splendid reading. Sometimes the characters are so rich and the situations so striking that it is difficult to tell if the writing is fictional.

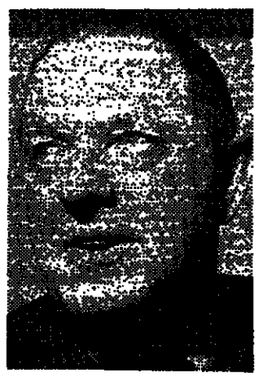
He had what he described as two "attacks" of poetry, the first in the 1960s and the second in the 1980s. These poems were published in 1984 as *Ad ora Incerta*.

Although he was one of the finest writers in post-war Italy, and won many prizes — his first book sold more than half a million copies in that country — Levi was never an establishment figure.

His lack of pomposity and sense of fun prevented that. He was a most serious writer, and a deeply philosophical student of life.

Levi is survived by his wife, Lucia, and by a son and a daughter.

ERSKINE CALDWELL



Erskine Caldwell, the prolific American novelist and social commentator, died on April 11, aged 83.

Though perhaps never as gifted as his contemporary, John Steinbeck, his earthy stories of the South, including *God's Little Acre* and *Tobacco Road*, kept him at the top of the list of best selling novelists. He produced 55 books in all, published in 43 languages, and sold more than 80 million copies worldwide.

Caldwell was born, an only child, in Georgia, in December 1903. Until he was 20, he was continually on the move: his father was a Presbyterian minister whose duties were to visit and reside for several months at each church in a wide area of the South.

"My home", he wrote of those years, "was the entire South, from Virginia to Florida, from the Atlantic to the Mississippi". He was born "in the country many miles from railroad or post office....it had no name....It was in Coweta Country...."

Caldwell was able to attend school for only three years; for the rest of the time he was taught by his mother. At 18 he went to sea on a boat that was running guns for a revolt in a Central American republic.

He then went the University of Virginia on a scholarship, but stayed only a year; he was another year at the University of Pennsylvania (1925-26).

When writing his earliest stories he was working in stores, playing professional football and "selling building lots in Alabama under three feet of water". Then he settled down as a journalist.

His first success came at the age of 29, when his still prized story, "Country Full of Swedes", won the Yale Review $1,000 award for fiction in 1933; but he had already written his two most famous novels, *Tobacco Road* and *God's Little Acre*. Both appeard in 1933.

Tobacco Road was also initially ignored. But Jack Kirkland had dramatised it. The production, which nearly closed after two weeks, survived to become America's longest-running play (3,182 performances) until *Life with Father*.

Caldwell suddenly found himself famous, with only the Bible outselling *Tobacco Road*. It is the powerful, tragicomic story of repulsive poor whites, as are its most important successors. *God's Little Acre* and the later, episodic *Georgia Boy* (1943) — the three novels regarded as Caldwell's major achievements.

Caldwell fought many battles with censors and prosecutors, but won them all, perhaps because (as was suggested) his "round innocent face confounded judges on the numerous occasions his work [was] sued for obscenity".

His macabre description of the lives of his characters, early essays in black humour, hit a social message. Later he produced a stream of sensationalist, semi-pornographic potboilers and he became more articulately left-wing.

He wrote much admired sociological tracts *(such as Say! Is This the USA?)* illustrated with photographs by his second wife, Helen Bourke White; later, as war reporters, they produced similar excellent books, such as *Moscow under Fire* (1941).

Many of his short stories retained the quality of the early novels *(The Complete Stories*, 1953, and several collection after that), and one later novel, *Miss Mamma Aimmee* (1967) showed a startling return to old form. He did much to show, through such projects as his editorship of the American Folkways regional series, how the South had changed.

Apparently deliberately coarse, Caldwell could in fact be a tactful writer, both as critic and as tender biographer of his father. A large number of his critics failed to realise that he was both a richly comic and a socially concerned writer.

William Faulkner put him on his list of the five greatest American novelists of his generation, and, retrospectively, the consensus is that he was probably right. His autobiography, *Call it Experience* (1951) is conspicuously well written and informative, if a little immodest (but he was for long unfairly patronised as being "non-literary" on account of his huge sales, and of his inferior novels).

Caldwell was a large man, genial in manner, and highly effective as an American radio reporter during the Second World War, and was a member of the American Academy. After a wandering life, he finally settled in Scottsdale, Arizona.

He was married four times.

University news

Kent
The following honorary degrees will be conferred:
DD: The Right Rev Richard Say, Bishop of Rochester.
DCL: Mr David Crouch, MP
DSc: Professor Bernard Benjamin, founder of the Centre for Research Insurance and Investment, City University; Professor S John Pirt, professor of microbiology, King's College London; Sir Rex Richards, FRS, Director of the Leverhulme Trust.
DLitt: Mr Robin Howard, Director-General of the Contemporary Dance Trust; and Mr Richard E F Leakey, Director of the National Museum of Kenya.

Bradford
Dr Malcolm Stevenson, formerly deputy librarian at Leeds University, has been appointed university librarian at Bradford.

Strathclyde
Appointments
Professor: D G Smith, electronic and electrical engineering.
Personal professors: G Duxbury, physics and applied physics; A L Harvey, physiology and pharmacology; D S Leathar, marketing; D C Sherrington, pure and applied chemistry; T L B Wade, modern languages.
READERS: J T Boyle, mechanical and offshore engineering; I D Chalmers, electronic and electrical engineering; D J Fabian, physics and applied physics; K L Lo, electronic and electrical engineering; E S Young, law school.

Christening

The infant son of Mr and Mrs Jonathan Tyser was christened Ben by the Bishop of Matabeleland on March 28 at Victoria Falls. The godparents, for whom Mrs John Hawkesworth stood proxy, are the Hon John Trenchard, Mr Rupert Ponsonby, Mr Thomas Heywood-Lonsdale, the Hon Mrs Tyser and Miss Susan Finlason.

Baroness Blatch

The life barony conferred upon Mrs Emily May Blatch has been gazetted by the name, style and title of Baroness Blatch, of Hinchingbrooke, in the County of Cambridgeshire.

BIRTHS, MARRIAGES, DEATHS

Sleep on now, and take your rest: it is enough, the hour is come; behold the Son of Man is betrayed into the hands of sinners.
St. Mark 14 : 41

BIRTHS

ADEANE - On April 10th 1987, to Camilla (née Darell) and Henry, a daughter, Madeline Bridget.

AGASS - On April 10th, at the John Radcliffe Hospital, Oxford, to Mary (née Slack) and Martyn, a daughter, Juliet Rebecca Louise, a sister for Olivia and Jonathan.

BIBBY - On April 9th at The Portland Hospital London to Moira (née Manson) and Peter, a son, Maximilian Howard Manson.

BOMFORD - On April 10th, 1987, to Catriona (née Robertson) and James, a son, Benjamin.

BOURNE - On Friday April 10th to Alison (neé Young) and Michael, a son Nicholas Edwin Thomas.

CHADDOCK - On April 4th 1987, in Orkney, to Cynthia and Clive, a son Benjamin Gabriel.

FALCONER - On April 7th, to Stella and Keith, a son, Hector. Many thanks to the staff of The Western General.

GAVLER - On April 8th at West London Hospital to Judith (née Pearce) and Michael, a daughter Sophie.

GOZNEY - On April 7th 1987, in Madrid, to Diana (née Baird) and Richard, a son, James.

JENKINS - On April 7th 1987, to Margaret (née Bailey) and Nick, a son, a brother for Nicholas, Jonathan and Edward.

JONES - On April 8th 1987, to Amanda (née Hubbard) and Thomas, a daughter, Lucinda Sophie, a sister for Camilla.

MUSSO - On April 2nd at Heatherwood Hospital, Ascot, to Birette (nee Grumder) and David, a daughter Louise Sarah Rastrick.

REARDON-SMITH - On March 26, in Narromine, NSW Australia to Hugh and Kate, a daughter, Hannah Elizabeth.

SEEL - On Thursday April 9th 1987, at Queen Charlotte's Maternity Hospital, to Carolyn (née Clarkson Webb) and Jeremy, a daughter, Annabel Lucy.

SULKIN - On 9th April 1987, to Rona and Will, a son, Rocco.

WHITE - On April 10th to Jeanne and Tim, a daughter Alice, sister for Mathew.

DEATHS

BARGMANN - On April 9th 1987, peacefully in hospital, Helene Elisabeth, BSc, PhD, FLS, of Harrupstead. Formerly Zoologist, National Institute of Oceanography. Cremation at Golders Green 2.20pm Wednesday 22nd of April. Family flowers. Donations to World Wildlife Fun U.K.

BEATTIE JONES - On April 7th, peacefully in Sevenoaks Hospital, after a long illness, Graham Harold. Dearly loved husband of Madeleine and father of Vanessa. All enquiries to Francis Chappell & Sons, Sevenoaks.

BEAVER - On April 9th 1987, peacefully at Blackdown Nursing Home, Mary Tavy, Marjorie Eleanor Worsley, aged 91, of Whitchurch House, Tavistock, widow of Commander Noel Herbrand Beaver, Royal Navy, much loved mother of David and Martin, and grandmother. Funeral service at St Andrew's Church, Whitchurch at 12 noon on Thursday April 16th. Family flowers only. Donations if desired to Whitchurch Church Appeal, c/o The Vicar, Whitchurch Vicarage, Tavistock.

BURROWS - On April 8th, 1987, suddenly in Selly Oak Hospital, Maurice John, recently retired senior member of staff of King's Norton Boys School, where he was a very devoted schoolmaster for many years. Private funeral (very close friends, colleagues and ex-colleagues only), at Lodge Hill Crematorium, Selly Oak, Birmingham, at 1.00 pm, on Wednesday April 15th. Memorial service to be arranged later. School flowers only - donations to be sent to King's Norton Boys School, Northfield Road, Birmingham B30 1DY, for The Maurice Burrows Memorial Fund, which is to be donated to a charity for deprived and handicapped children.

FIDDES WATT - On April 3rd, Albert George, at home, 52A, Avonmore Road, W14. Funeral at Mortlake Crematorium at 3.30 on April 14th.

GLANFIELD - On April 8th 1987, suddenly Dorothea (Dollie) of Tunbridge Wells, aged 93. Wife of the late Lt Col. Herbert Glanfield O.B.E., and sister-in-law of Norman. Service at 3.00pm Wednesday April 15th at The Church of King Charles the Martyr, Tunbridge Wells, followed by private cremation. Flowers to E R Hickmott and Son, 41 Grove Hill Rd, Tunbridge Wells.

HOROWITZ - On April 10th, Lloyd, peacefully at home. Mourned and missed by Merrilyn, Jamie, his parents Martha and Monus, and his many friends. Funeral on Wednesday April 15th at 3.30pm at Highgate Cemetery.

HUNT - On April 9th, tragically, in a car accident, Leslie Bernard of Summerhill, Little Common, Sussex. Much loved and loving husband of Margaret. Funeral arrangements later.

INNES - On April 9th, 1987, Nancy Audrey, beloved wife of Neil, and dearly loved mother and grandmother. Cremation private. There will be a Thanksgiving Service at Upleyme Parish Church at 2.30pm, on Friday 24th April. Donations to Imperial Cancer Research Fund, c/o Woods Funeral Directors, Dorchester, Dorset.

JACKSON - On April 8th, 1987, Major General Arthur James 'Jimmy' Jackson, aged 64 of Fleet, Hampshire, beloved husband of Joan, father of James Annabelle, Richard and Jillian, and grandfather of Sherwin, Katie, Rollo, David, Annie and Piers. Funeral at St Peters, Brampford Speke, Devonshire, Monday April 13th at 11.00 am. No flowers. Donations if wished to Cancer Relief Macmillan Fund, 16/19 Britten Street, London SW3 3TY. Thanksgiving Service at the Royal Garrison Church, Aldershot, Hampshire, Thursday April 23rd at 2.30 pm.

LE CHEMINANT - On April 9th, suddenly at her home after a short illness, Dorothy, Doff to all her friends, of 9 The Avenue, Chichester, Sussex, widow of Leslie Le Cheminant, loving and dearly loved mother of Claire and mother-in-law of John Tinsley, also loving and adored grandma of Isabel and Alexander. Funeral service at Chichester Crematorium on April 15th at 2.00pm. She will be greatly missed by all who knew her and will leave a gap in the community as well as in her family.

PETLEY-JONES - On April 8th, at Danbury, Essex, Nancy, quietly in her sleep, aged 76, widow of Llewellyn, much loved Mum and Granny. Funeral Service at St Matthias, Richmond, Surrey, on Wednesday April 15th at 1pm. Flowers by arrangement or donations to the Chest Heart and Stroke Association, Tavistock Square, London.

PROBERT - On 9th April, Colonel Geoffrey Oliver Carwardine Probert CBE, US Legion of Merit, aged 94 years of Bexhills, Sussex, Suffolk, beloved husband of Ruby in their 70th year of marriage. Funeral family only, at St Stephens Chapel. No flowers, donations to St Marys Church, Bures, if desired. Thanksgiving service 3.30pm Friday 22nd May at St Marys.

ROGAN - On April 9th 1987, Leslie Ernest OBE, in his 87th year peacefully in hospital whilst staying with his son at Les Volants, 38250 St Nizier du Moucherotte, France. Cremation private. Family flowers only. Donations to NSPCC, 67 Saffron Hill, London EC1N 8RS. Memorial service to be held in London in due course, the date to be announced.

THAPAR - On April 10th, in New Delhi, Raj, wife of Romesh, mother of Mala and Valu.

THOMPSON - On April 4th 1987, tragically, near Weybridge, Surrey, John Graham, aged 31 years, husband of Rona, the second son of Maurice and Mary, and brother of Peter, Susan and Andrew. Service on Monday April 13th, at 10.30am, at Charing Crematorium, Charing, Kent.

MEMORIAL SERVICES

HELPS - A Thanksgiving Service for Meg Helps will be held at St. Mary Magdalene, Debenham, Suffolk, on Saturday May 9th, at 12.00 noon.

IN MEMORIAM - PRIVATE

THE HON. LADY BETJEMAN - Penelope Chetwode. On April 15th 1986, while trekking in the Himalaya's she loved so much. Greatly missed by all those friends.

WHITE - William George. In ever loving memory of our dear brother who fell asleep 13th April 1986 ' Until the daybreak.' Betty and Mary (Stoneford, Dagenham).

MARRIAGES

DIBDIN-SHERINGHAM - On Saturday April 11th in Oxford, Michael, son of John and Peigi Dibdin of Chichester, to Sybil Claire, daughter of John Sheringham of Machynlleth and the late Yvette Sheringham of Cairo, Jerusalem and Pangbourne.

FOWLER-MOORE on April 10 at Colchester, Thornton Anthony Martin, elder son of the late T.W.J Fowler and of Mrs M. Fowler of London to Jane Wylie younger daughter of Lt Col and Mrs A.L.W. Moore of Colchester.

FRAYLING-CORK-McCRUM - On Saturday 4th April 1987 at Corpus Christi College, Cambridge. Robert to Elizabeth.

MARNHAM-BIRCUMSHAW - On March 28th 1987, at Paignton, David, son of Brigadier & Mrs Geoffry Marnham of Hermanus, South Africa and Rosalynde, daughter of Major & Mrs Manly Bircumshaw of Whistley House, Milton-On-Stour, Gillingham, Dorset.

SILVER ANNIVERSARIES

KELSON-PARKES On Friday April 13th 1962, at St Phillip and St James, Oxford, Alan Kelson to Jennifer Parkes. Now at 15 York Avenue, New Milton, Hants.

Science report

Soft touch that turns a quake into a killer

By Keith Hindley

An unusual geological structure that can transform a small earthquake into a destructive one has been identified by scientists at the United States Geological Survey (USGS) in Menlo Park, California.

The researchers have found that thick layers of underground ash can induce a five-fold increase in the destructive force of small earthquakes. The discovery came from investigating the San Salvador tremor last October, where a modest ground-shaking event turned into a major seismic killer.

Similar amplification occurred during the great Mexico City earthquake of 1985, and the group believes it poses an extra hazard to the San Francisco Bay area of California.

The details were given by Dr Mike Rymer to a conference in Santa Barbara, outlining a study of the San Salvador disaster using data from six seismic stations that were, by chance, within four miles of the epicentre. This relatively modest magnitude 5.4 earthquake, five miles underground, "produced a staggering amount of damage, out of all proportion to its magnitude", says Dr Rymer.

"It generated landslides, toppled thousands of buildings, injured 10,000, killed 1500 and left a quarter of a million people homeless. Yet similar sized quakes here in California last year caused little damage and few casualties."

The San Salvador devastation was rooted in layers of volcanic ash up to 75ft thick which underly much of the city. As the three-second long tremor passed upwards through the ash, the amplitude of ground movement was magnified up to five times.

Amplification of waves was also important during the 1985 tremor which levelled large areas of Mexico City. There the huge bowl of soft sediments on which the region lies amplified and conducted the tremor over several hundred miles. The shock was focused on parts of the city at the centre of the basin.

A second factor which affected both disasters was the frequency of the tremors. In Mexico City, the waves were of longer than usual wavelength and particularly destructive for buildings from five to 20 storeys high. In San Salvador, however, the higher frequency waves were most destructive on buildings from one to five storeys. Both tremors were, by chance, well tuned to the main buildings at each epicentre.

The study suggests that some areas of the San Francisco basin, which has similar geologies to San Salvador and are underlain by thick layers of loose, rocky soil, could be at much higher risk from surface shaking. A major tremor along this path of the San Andreas Fault is expected during the next decade.

Birthdays today

Mr Samuel Beckett, author and playwright, 81; Lord Broxbourne, QC, 77; Air Vice-Marshal Sir Bernard Chacksfield, 74; the Right Rev R.N. Coote, Bishop of Colchester, 72; Mr Liam Cosgrave, former leader, Fine Gael Party, 67; Mr Beverley Cross, playwright, 56; Professor Gordon Donaldson, Historiographer to the Queen in Scotland, 74; Mr Edward Fox, actor, 50; Mr Justice Harman, 57; Mr Graham Hutton, economist, 83; Lord James of Rusholme, 78; Canon J.N.D. Kelly, former Principal, St Edmund Hall, Oxford, 78; Mr Godfrey Kenton, actor, 85; the Duke of Marlborough, 61; Mr Jonjo O'Neill, jockey, 35; Miss Margaret Price, opera singer, 46; Sir Stephen Roberts, chairman, Milk Marketing Board, 72; Lord Wedderburn of Charlton, 60; Lieutenant-General Sir James Wilson, 66.

Fuellers' Company

The following have been elected officers of the Fuellers' Company for the ensuing year: Master, Mr Richard N. Horne; Senior Warden, Mr John B. Pugh; Junior Warden, Mr George A. McGechan.

PERSONAL COLUMNS

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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☆ **COMEDY WITHOUT TITLE/OBSCENE FABLES:** Impressive double bill by Yorick Theatre Company of Lorca's last play and some Dario Fo jollity.
Young Vic Studio Theatre, 66 The Cut, SE1 (01-928 6363). Tube: Waterloo. Mon-Sat (Lorca) 7.30-8.40pm, (Fo) 9-10.45pm, matinée Sat 2.30-3.40pm and 4-5.45pm. £6.50 (for both plays) £3.75 (for one play).

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★ **THE EMPEROR:** The last days of Haile Selassie, adapted for the stage by Michael Hastings and Jonathan Miller. Sold out until end of run.
Theatre Upstairs, Royal Court Theatre, Sloane Square, London SW1 (01-730 2554). Tube: Sloane Square. Mon-Sat 7.30-9.30pm, *matinée Sat 3.30-5.30pm.* £3-£5.

☆ **THE HEAT OF THE DAY:** Shared Experience's dramatization of Elizabeth Bowen's wartime novel.
Donmar Warehouse, 41 Earlham Street, WC2 (01-240 8230). Tube: Leicester Square. Mon-Sat 7.30-10pm, £6-£8, until April 25.

☆ **THE HENRYS:** Michael Bogdanov's impressive productions of Shakespeare's Henry plays with Michael Pennington as Prince Hal and Henry V and John Woodvine as Falstaff.
Old Vic, Waterloo Road, SE1 (01-928 7616, cc 01-261 1821). Tube: Waterloo. *Henry IV part 1* Sat 10.30am-1.30pm, *Henry IV part 2* tonight 7.30-10.30pm, Sat 3-6pm, *Henry V* Sat 7.45-10.45pm, £3-£10.50. (ticket for all three plays £24), *until May 2.*

☆ **HIGH SOCIETY:** The show of the film. Stoked with extra Cole Porter.
Victoria Palace Theatre, Victoria Street, SW1 (01-834 1317). Tube: Victoria. Mon-Fri 7.45-10.15pm, Sat 8.15-10.45pm, matinée Wed 3-5.30pm, Sat 4.45-7.15pm, £7.50-£18.50.

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Apollo Theatre, Shaftesbury Avenue, W1 (01-437 2663). Tube: Piccadilly Circus. Mon-Fri 7.30-9.50pm, Sat 8-10.20pm, matinée Wed 2.30-4.50pm, Sat 5-7.20pm, £5-£13.50.

☆ **THE RESISTIBLE RISE OF ARTURO UI:** Griff Rhys Jones as Brecht's gangster leader learning how to rule the world.
Queens Theatre, Shaftesbury Avenue, W1 (01-734 1166). Tube: Piccadilly Circus. Mon-Fri 7.45-10.15pm, Sat 8-10.30pm, matinée Wed 3-5.30pm, Sat 4.30-7pm, £6-£13.50.

☆ **SERIOUS MONEY:** Caryl Churchill's effervescent musical play about the Big Bang and City greed. Recommended.
Royal Court Theatre, Sloane Square, London SW1 (01-730 1745). Tube: Sloane Square. Mon-Sat 8-10.30pm, matinée Sat 4-6.30pm, £3-£9.

☆ *SPIN OF THE WHEEL: Musical* about a dodge to revive an ailing TV quiz show that backfires on the dodgers.
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☆ **WHAT ABOUT LUV:** Marti Caine in the transfer of amusing musical version of Murray Schisgal's *Luv.* Three ill-matched lovers keep meeting on a New York bridge.
Lyric Theatre, King Street, W6 (01-741 2311). Tube: Hammersmith. Mon-Sat 7.45-9.35pm, matinée Wed 2.30-4.20pm, Sat 4-5.50pm, £5-£10, until May 2.

LONG RUNNERS: ☆ **The Business of Murder:** Mayfair Theatre (01-629 3036) . . . ★ **Cats:** New London Theatre (01-405 0072, cc 01-404 4079) . . . ★ **Chess:** Prince Edward Theatre (01-734 8951) . . . ★ **42nd Street:** Drury Lane Theatre Royal (01-836 8108/9/0 or 01-240 9066/7) . . . ☆ **Me and My Girl:** Adelphi Theatre (01-836 7611/7358 and 01-240 7913/4) . . . ★ **Les Misérables:** Palace Theatre (01-434 0909) . . . ☆ **The Mousetrap:** St Martin's Theatre (01-836 1443, cc 01-379 6433) . . . ☆ **No Sex, Please, We're British:** Duchess Theatre (01-836 8243) . . . ★ **Phantom of the Opera:** Sold out until October. Her Majesty's Theatre (01-839 2244, cc 01-379 6131, 01-240 7200) . . . ☆ **Run for your Wife:** Criterion Theatre (01-930 3216, cc 01-379 6565) . . . ★ **Starlight Express:** Apollo Victoria Theatre (01-828 8665, cc 01-630 6262) . . . ☆ **Stepping Out:** Duke of York's Theatre (01-836 5122, cc 01-836 9837) . . . ☆ **Time:** Dominion Theatre (01-580 8845, cc 01-836 2428).

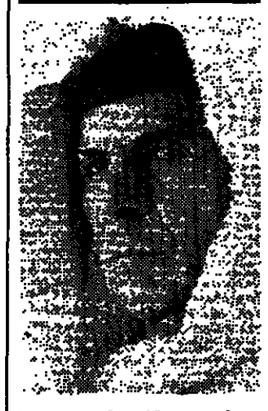
OUT OF TOWN

BIRMINGHAM: ☆ **Knuckle:** David Hare's fast-moving private-eye thriller, with Brian Capron, Joanna Hole and Ernest Clark.
Alexandra Theatre, Station Street (021 643 1231). Mon-Fri 7.30-9.30pm, Sat 8-10pm, £3-£6, until April 18.

EASTBOURNE: ☆ **Not About Heroes:** Stephen McDonald's resonant account of the meeting of the First War poets, Siegfried Sassoon and Wilfred Owen.
Devonshire Park Theatre, Compton Street (0323 36363). Mon-Sat 8-10pm, matinée Wed 2.30-4.30pm, Sat 5-7pm, until April 18.

LEEDS: ☆ **Torpedoes in the Jacuzzi:** Phil Young's new comedy revealing ambition and intrigue in West Yorkshire.
Playhouse Theatre, Calverley Street (0532 442111). Mon and Tues 8-9.30pm, Wed-Sat 7.30-9.30pm. £4-£5.50, until May 2.

NORTHAMPTON: ☆ **Seesaw:** Helen Shapiro and Nicholas Bennett in a popular musical expanded from the play *Two for the Seesaw.*



It is more than 20 years since Leonard Nimoy first played the pointy-eared space adventurer, Mr Spock, in *Star Trek.* The series ran for three years on television, and after a surprisingly long gap turned up in the cinema where it threatens to run for ever. The *latest film, The Voyage Home,* is the fourth and involves Spock and company, ageing but still game, in search of hump-back whales. Nimoy shares the main acting credits with William (Kirk) Shatner, and is also the film's director.

Royal Theatre, 15 Guildhall Road (0604 32533/24811). Mon-Sat 7.30-9.50pm, matinée Thurs 2.30-4.50pm, £3-£6, until April 25.

RICHMOND: ☆ **King Lear:** Sir Anthony Quayle leads a strong cast close to London in Compass Theatre's nationwide tour.
Richmond Theatre, Richmond Green, Surrey (01-940 0088). Mon-Sat 7.30-10.30pm, £3-£8.50, until April 18.

SOUTHAMPTON: ★ **The Decameron:** New musical inspired by Boccaccio's tales of love, laughter and lechery.
Nuffield Theatre, University Road (0703 555028). Mon-Thurs 7.30-10.30pm, Fri and Sat 8-11pm, £3.70-£5.70, until April 25.

STRATFORD: ☆ **Fashion:** Doug Lucie's gripping and strongly cast study of corruption of loyalties in a PR agency.
The Other Place, Stratford-upon-Avon (0789 295623). Mon-Sat 7.30-10.30pm, £6-£7.

FILMS

■ **Also on national release**
✉ **Advance booking possible**

BLUE VELVET (18): David Lynch's surreal tale about the placid surface of an American small town being violently ripped apart. Isabella Rossellini is the local siren, Dennis Hopper evil incarnate and Kyle MacLachlan a wholesome hero (120 min).
Chelsea Cinema (01-351 3742). Progs 1.10, 3.35, 6.05, 8.40.
✉ **Gate Cinema** (01-727 4043). Progs 2.15, 4.20, 6.25, 8.55.
✉ **Lumiere** (01-379 3014, cc 01-379 3014). Progs 1.10, 3.35, 6.05, 8.40.
✉ **Screen on the Hill** (01-435 3366). Progs 1.20, 3.40, 6.10, 8.40.

■ **CASTAWAY (15):** Lucy Irvine's tropical island adventure, filmed by Nicolas Roeg with pretty and provocative pictures, but no narrative drive. With Oliver Reed and Amanda Donohoe (116 min).
✉ **Cannon Shaftesbury Avenue** (01-836 8861). Progs 2.30, 5.35, 8.20.
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84 CHARING CROSS ROAD (U): Transatlantic romance between Helene Hanff (Anne Bancroft), book-crazed New Yorker, and a retiring London antiquarian bookseller (*Anthony Hopkins*). David Jones directs the tasteful drama (99 min).
✉ **Curzon Mayfair** (01-499 3737). Progs 2.00, 4.10, 6.20, 8.40.

■ **CHILDREN OF A LESSER GOD (15):** Polished version of the Broadway play, with William Hurt as the teacher of deaf adolescents emotionally involved with a former pupil (Marlee Matlin) (113 min).
Cannon Bayswater (01-229 4149). Progs 2.30, 5.15, 8.15.
✉ **Cannon Fulham Road** (01-370 2636, cc 01-373 6990). Progs 2.00, 6.00, 9.00.
✉ **Empire Leicester Square** (01-437 1234, cc 01-240 7200). Progs 1.00, 3.30, 6.00, 8.30.
✉ **Screen on Baker Street** (01-935 2772). Progs 3.30, 6.00, 8.30.

COME AND SEE (15): Powerful Soviet film about Nazi atrocities in Byelorussia directed by Elem Klimov. Alexei Kravchenko is the teenager wandering through a nightmare of blood and bullets (142 min).
✉ **Curzon Phoenix,** (01-240 9661). Progs 2.30, 5.30, 8.20.

FATHERLAND (15): Dour political drama from director Ken Loach and writer Trevor Griffiths. With Gerulf Pannach as the East German fiedermacher seeking his father in the West (110 min).
ICA (01-930 3647). Progs 4.30, 6.45, 9.00.

■ **THE FLIGHT OF THE NAVIGATOR (U):** Joey Cramer as the boy who serves as navigator for a distant planet's space flights (90 min).
Cannon Haymarket (01-839 1527). Progs 1.15, 3.35, 6.00, 8.25.
Cannon Oxford Street (01-636 0310). Progs 1.20, 3.45, 6.00, 8.15.
Cannon Prince Charles (01-437 8181). Progs 1.20, 300, 5.25, 7.50.
Odeon Marble Arch (01-723 2011). *Progs 1.15, 3.35, 5.55, 8.15.*
✉ **Odeon Kensington** (01-602 6644, cc 01-602 5193). Progs 2.35, 4.50, 8.15.
Odeon Swiss Cottage (01-722 5905). Progs 2.30, 4.30, 6.30, 8.30.

■ **THE FOURTH PROTOCOL (15):** Old-fashioned entertainment based on Frederick Forsyth's novel about a Soviet plan to sabotage Nato. Michael Caine is the maverick spycatcher (119 min).
✉ **Odeon Kensington** (01-602 6644, cc 01-602 5193). Progs 2.20, 4.50, 8.10.
Odeon Swiss Cottage (01-722 5905). Progs 2.30, 5.00, 8.10.



The part of Dr Johnson calls for a heavyweight performer, large in bulk and conveying a sense of authority, the quality known in Johnson's day as "bottom". Robbie Coltrane takes on the role in Kay Eldredge's *Yr. Obedient Servant* at the Lyric, Hammersmith, from tonight and those who saw his Big Jazza in the BBC's recent *Tutti Frutti* will know he has the required largeness of form. His work lately has concentrated on comedy, usually as one of the Alternative Comedy boys of *Comic Strip* and *The Young Ones.* But he has appeared in more than a dozen British films, including *Caravaggio* and *Mona Lisa,* and first came to notice with a film produced and directed by himself, a 50-minute documentary about mental health. That was in 1973, shortly after leaving Glasgow School of Art, where he gained his diploma in drawing, painting and film. Acting he learnt by acting, at the Edinburgh Traverse and on the London Fringe after two years in the States touring with the San Quentin Theatre Workshop. Johnson was not favourably disposed to the Scottish race but one Scot, Boswell, wrote his biography and now another one plays the man himself. Tonight at 7pm, Lyric Theatre Studio, King Street, W6 (01-741 2311). Tickets £5. Until May 9.
Jeremy Kingston

✉ **Odeon Leicester Square** (01-930 6111, cc 01-930 3232/01-839 1929). Progs 1.15, 4.30, 7.45.

■ **NAME OF THE ROSE (18):** Simplified edition of Umberto Eco's *medieval murder mystery,* filmed with a fine sense of atmosphere and a grotesque carnival of characters. Directed by Jean-Jacques Annaud; with Sean Connery (131 min).
Cannon Chelsea (01-352 5096). Progs 2.00, 5.15, 8.10.
Cannon Panton Street (01-930 0631). Progs 2.05, 4.45, 7.30, 10.10.

■ **OVER THE TOP (PG):** Perfect title for a drama featuring Sylvester Stallone as an arm-wrestling truck driver who tries to get to know his neglected son during a cross-continental ride (93 mm).
Cannon Bayswater (01-229 4149). Progs 2.30, 5.30, 8.30.
Cannon Edgware Road (01-723 5901). Progs 2.15, 4.20, 6.25, 8.40.
✉ **Cannon Fulham Road** (01-370 2636, *cc 01-373 6990). Progs 2.00, 4.05.*
Cannon Haymarket (01-839 1527). Progs 2.00, 4.10, 6.20, 8.35.
Cannon Oxford Street (01-636 0310). Progs 2.15, 4.20, 6.25, 8.35.
✉ **Warner West End** (01-439 0791, cc 01-439 1534). Progs 2.15, 4.20, 6.30, 8.35.

PERSONAL SERVICES (18): Terry Jones's outrageous comedy, inspired by the life of Cynthia Payne, stars Julie Walters (105 min).
✉ **Cannon Fulham Road** (01-370 2636, cc 01-373 6990). Progs 2.00, 6.00, 9.10.
Cannon Oxford Street (01-636 1310). Progs 1.40, 3.55, 6.10, 8.30.
✉ **Cannon Shaftesbury Avenue** (01-836 6279). Progs 1.10, 3.30, 5.50, 8.30.
✉ **Plaza Lower Regent Street** (01-437 1234, cc 01-240 7200). Progs 1.00, 3.30, 6.00, 8.30.
✉ **Screen on the Green** (01-226 3520). Progs 2.20, 4.25, 6.45, 8.50.

THE VOYAGE HOME — STAR TREK IV (PG): See caption. (119 min.)
Cannon Bayswater (01-229 4149). Progs 2.30, 5.15, 8.15.
Cannon Edgware Road (01-723 5901). Progs 2.55, 5.35, 8.15.
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✉ **Empire Leicester Square** (01-437 1234, cc 01-240 7200). Progs 1.00, 3.30, 6.00, 8.30.

CONCERTS

LUNCHTIME

☆ **VOICES/GUITAR:** The BBC Singers and the guitarist Vladimir Mikulka alternate in a programme that includes Debussy's *Chansons de Charles d'Orléans,* Falla's *Homenaje — Le tombeau de Claude Debussy,* Ginastera's *Lamentations of Jeremiah,* Brouwer's *Elogio de la Danza,* etc.
St John's, Smith Square, London SW1 (01-222 1061), 1-2pm, £2.50.

☆ **LAST WORDS:** The Lecosaldi Ensemble play Haydn's Symphony No 44 "Trauersymphonie" and *movements from his Seven Last Words of Christ on the Cross.*
St Anne and St Agnes's, Gresham Street, London EC2 (01-373 5566), 1.10-1.50pm, free.

☆ **SWEETER THAN ROSES:** Sarah Vivian (soprano) includes Purcell's *Sweeter than Roses,* Poulenc's *Fête gallant,* Satie's *Ludions,* Sullivan's *Where the Bee Sucks* and songs by Handel, Quilter, Monteverdi, Richard Strauss and others in her recital. Patricia Williams accompanies.
St Martin-in-the-Fields, Trafalgar Square, London WC2 (01-839 1930), 1.05-1.55pm, free.

EVENING

☆ **BEFORE THE FREEZE:** The clarinettist Claude Schryer performs John Oliver's *Before the Freeze,* John Celona's *Instruments Flying,* Barry Truax's *Nightwatch* and his own *Percussion of the Air.* All are Canadian composers. The *percussionist Trevor Tureski* also participates.
Canada House, Trafalgar Square, London SW1 (01-629 9492, ext 246), 6.30-7.30pm, free.

☆ **SALONEN/PHILHARMONIA:** Sibelius's Symphony No 1 and *Lutoslawski's Mi-Parte* are played by the Philharmonia Orchestra under David Atherton. In Bruch's Violin Concerto No 1 Cho-Liang Lin is the soloist.
Festival Hall, South Bank, London SE1 (01-928 3191, cc 01-928 8800), 7.30-9.20pm, £3.50-£12.

☆ **SILENCE/ERUPTIONS:** Conducted alternately by Ulf Söderblom and John Whitfield, the Endymion Ensemble gives the UK premieres of Bergman's *Silence and Eruptions,* Lingberg's *Zona* and Merikanto's Concerto for *Violin, Clarinet, Horn and String* Quartet. All are Finnish composers.
St John's, Smith Square, London SW1, (01-222 1061), 7.30-9.40pm, £3-£5.

☆ **HAESUNG MIN:** Plays Stravinsky's early and very disappointing Piano Sonata of 1903-04 but restores the balance with Beethoven's Sonata Op 27 No 1, Chopin's Sonata Op 58 and Schumann's *Faschingsswinwank aus Wien.*
Wigmore Hall, 36 Wigmore Street, London W1 (01-935 2141), 7.30-9.30pm, £2-£4.50.

OPERA

☆ **RUDDIGORE:** New Sadler's Wells Opera tour Ian Judge's witty and handsome production of the G & S mock-melodrama, strongly cast and well sung.
Derngate, 19-21 Guildhall Road, Northampton (0604 24811), 7.30-10.20pm, £4-£12.50.

DANCE

UN JOUR PINA A DEMANDE: Fascinating documentary film about Pina Bausch and her Wuppertal *Dance Theatre. You see how she* probes into the dancers' experiences and thoughts for her raw material, and how she choreographs movement, music, songs and talk into a unique unsettling whole.
Everyman Cinema, Hollybush Vale, London NW3 (01-435 1525). Progs 2.05, 5.05, 8.00.

ROCK

☆ **SOUTHSIDE JOHNNY & THE JUKES:** One-off show by the raucous New Jersey R & B singer who used to play in bar bands with Bruce Springsteen and whose band; always characterized by a well-drilled energetic horn section, once included recent Springsteen guitarist "Miami" Steve Van Zandt.
Odeon Hammersmith, Queen Caroline Street, London W6 (01-748 4081), 7.30pm, £6.50-£7.50.

☆ **PAUL SIMON:** Last London date of the tour which has been held aloft effortlessly on a rising thermal of media hot air following the extraordinary success of the rather average *Graceland.* Predictably, concerts so far, with a 21-piece band which includes Hugh Masekela and Miriam Makeba, have prompted critical acclaim similar to that received by the album.
Royal Albert Hall, London SW7 (01-589 8212), 8pm, £13-£15 (300 standing-only tickets will go on sale each night at 7.15pm, £10).

JAZZ

JAMES MOODY: A veteran bebop saxophonist who presents his music with delicious wit.
Ronnie Scott's Club, 47 Frith Street, London W1 (01-439 0747), 9.30pm, £8 (£5 members).

Bill Bruford's Earthworks: Marvellously inventive drummer whose quartet features the individual talents of Loose Tubes Iain Bellamy and Django Bates.
Band on the Wall, Manchester (061 834 1786).

Courtney Pine Quartet: Exuberant young saxophonist and leading Jazz Warrior who, if the excessive media coverage of a year ago is to be believed, is currently leading yet another renaissance of British jazz
Colston Hall, Bristol (0272 291768)

GALLERIES

19th & 20th-CENTURY PRINTS: A superb collection of prints by artists ranging from Degas to Kollwitz and Gericault to Arp, mostly under £1,000.
William Weston Gallery, 7 Royal Arcade, Albemarle Street, London W1 (01-493 0722), Mon-Fri 9.30am-5.30pm, free, until May 8.

W. R. SICKERT: A fascinating selection of paintings, prints and drawings by the first British artist to disseminate the teachings of his friends, the French Impressionists.
Fletcher Moss Art Gallery, Stenner Lane, Didsbury, Manchester (061 238 9422), Mon-Sat 10am-6pm (closed Tues), Sun 2-6pm, free, *until July 26.*

FROM BYZANTIUM TO EL GRECO: Seventy sensitively displayed *Greek icons and frescos,* examining the subtle symbolism in pictures which, to the uninitiated, look the same.
Royal Academy of Arts, Piccadilly, London W1 (01-734 9052), daily 10am-6pm, £2.50, until June 21.

LE CORBUSIER: Models, draughts and purist paintings by the architect blamed, some say unfairly, for the *failure of modern mass housing projects.* Also: Sculpture by Tony Cragg.
Hayward Gallery, South Bank, London SE1 (01-261 0127), Mon-Wed 10am-8pm, Thurs-Sat 10am-6pm, Sun noon-6pm, £3, until June 7.

WHITECHAPEL OPEN: A refreshingly varied annual exhibition selected from works submitted by artists living or working in East London.
Whitechapel Art Gallery, Whitechapel High Street, London E1 (01-377 0107), Tues-Sun 11am-4.50pm, Wed 11am-7.50pm, free, until April 26.

PAINTERS AND THE DERBY CHINA WORKS 1785-1848: Floral designs were the forte of these forgotten artists, both amateur and professional, who decorated the porcelain.
Victoria and Albert Museum, Exhibition Road, South Kensington, London SW7 (01-589 6371), Mon-Sat 10am-5.50pm (closed Fri), Sun 2.30-5.50pm, free, until June 14.

WALKS

BEST OF BRITISH PUBS NIGHTS: meet Bond Street (ticket office) tube, 11am, £2.

SHAKESPEARE'S LONDON: meet Museum of London, 2.30pm, £2.75.

INSIDE DICKENS'S LONDON — GRAYS INN TO DICKENS'S HOUSE: meet *Holborn tube, 2pm,* £2.25.

TALKS

MERYVN PEAKE: *Illustrated talk on* the life and works of Mervyn Peake given by his son Sebastian and writer and broadcaster, Brian Sibley.
Purcell Room, South Bank Centre, London SE1 (01-928 3191), 7.30pm, £1.50.

FRENCH 19TH-CENTURY BRONZES: Lecture by Christopher Payne, Departmental Director of Sotheby's Furniture Department, author of *Animals in Bronze.*
Norland Interiors, 124 Holland Park Avenue, London W11 (01-221 6735), 7pm, £17.50 includes a glass of wine and a fork supper.

OTHER EVENTS

AUSTRALIA 200: Special exhibition to mark the 200th anniversary of the sailing of the "First Fleet" to Australia opens at the National *Maritime Museum today. The* theme is the influence of the sea on Australian history with displays about the first voyage, the growth of coastal cities and the maritime links with Europe.
Cook Gallery, National Maritime Museum, Romney Road, London SE21 (01-858 4422), Mon-Sat 10am-6pm, Sun 2-6pm, adult £1.20, child 7-16 60p, under-7s free.

SPRING FESTIVAL AT THE NATURAL HISTORY MUSEUM: From today a greatly enlarged family-based area for hands-on experience of objects in various galleries.
Natural History Museum, Cromwell Road, SW7 (01-589 6323). 10am-6pm. Adult £2, child 5-15 £1, under-5s free.

BOOK FAIR: Wide selection of antiquarian and good modern second-hand editions.
Marlborough Crest Hotel, Bloomsbury Street, London WC1. 10am-7pm, free.

BROCKHOLE SLIDESHOWS: "Enjoying Lakeland" with commentary by Chris Bonington at 11am, "So Fair and Foul a Day" — about local weather and ground conditions (1.30pm), "This is a Cropper" — video about a paper mill (3.30pm) and "Wild Flowers of Cumbria" *(4.15pm).*
Lake District National Park Visitors Centre, Windermere, Cumbria. Admission to centre: adult £1.20, child 5-17 60p, under-5s free.

BOOKINGS

FIRST CHANCE

NATIONAL FILM THEATRE: Priority postal booking opens today for May with 80th birthday tribute to Olivier, films chosen for the Festival of German Arts, and five opera films for the London International Opera Festival. Also programmes of Hindi and Soviet cinema, with work by Guru Dutt, Raj Kapoor, Kozintsev and Trauberg; and Neil Sinyard presents a series of "Novels into Film". Personal booking from April 27.
National Film Theatre, South Bank, London SE1 (01-928 3232).

LINDSAY KEMP COMPANY: Postal booking opens today for three-week season, with fairy-tale version of Shakespeare's *A Midsummer Night's Dream, Flowers* and *The Big Parade.* June 23-July 11. Personal/phone booking from April 27.
Sadler's Wells, Rosebery Avenue, London EC1.

DIETRICH FISCHER-DIESKAU: Three recitals by German baritone as part of Festival of German Arts, featuring work by Schumann, Mahler and Wolf. Hartmut Holl accompanies. May 9, 11 and 14.
Queen Elizabeth Hall, South Bank, London SE1 (01-928 3191, cc 01-928 8800).

LAST CHANCE

THE KING GOES FORTH TO FRANCE: Last performance of British premiere by Finnish composer Aulis Sallinen based on work by Finnish poet Paavo Haavikko; with Mikael Melbye and Valerie Masterson. Conducted by Okko Kamu. Ends tonight.
Royal Opera House, Covent Garden, London WC2 (01-240 1066/1911.)

ENGLAND PHOTOGRAPHED BY ZOLA: Photos taken by Emile Zola on trips to England in 1890s; plus selection of first editions of Zola's work in English translation. Ends today.
Institut français, 17 Queensberry Place, London SW7 (01-589 6211).

BOND WINNERS

Winning numbers in the weekly draw for Premium Bond prizes are: £100,000: **21WN 571049** (the winner comes from Peterborough); £50,000: **13CW 834861** (Milton Keynes); £25,000: **12KW 803730** (Kent).

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ENTERTAINMENTS

CONCERTS

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OPERA & BALLET

COLISEUM S 836 3161 CC 240 5258 **ENGLISH NATIONAL OPERA** Tomor 7.30 Simon Boccangera. Wed 7.00 Don Giovanni

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THE ARTS

Labelled all over

Peter York is a brand-name merchant. Give him something to think about and the first thing he does is give it a label. During his lecture on the Englishness of English design in *The South Bank Show* (LWT) he spat out so many such labels — "Romantic

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chaos", "Mockneys", "Coctean cocktail" — that the talk nearly became a glossary. Nearly, but not quite.

Underneath the interminable slickness were some sound ideas about English territory in the design world. What he reckoned foreign buyers want from us are "Reports from Fantasy Island: they want stories from kings and queens, pop stars and pageantry". They also buy an idea of the talented amateur and that very English attribute of appearing not to try. A rose may well be a rose etc, but when it is situated on a roll of chintz the appeal is that it just happened to grow there, rather than evolved from a drawing-board.

What Peter York was really talking about was style, not design. This might explain why the invited studio audience consisted largely of his close friends, many of whom are involved in the propagation of the current style industry. It might also explain why the time allocated to questioning his theories was strangely brief.

There was another type of Englishness under observation in *Night Moves* (*Arena*, BBC2), a film about the age of the articulated lorry. What emerged is that life on the M11 is nothing like American road culture as seen in the movies. The film was a sequel to an earlier classic about the steam train, *Night Mail*, and suffered by comparison.

As the proprietor of the roadside Rose Café described his trucker breakfast — "Egg, bacon, tomato, sausage, beans, fried slice and bread and butter thick and thin, oh, and tea, for £1.80" — and the motel hairdresser spoke of how her clients always like a shower and change of clothes for the evening, it was clear that there is a wonderful film to be made on the subject. *Night Moves* certainly was not it.

Alexandra Shulman

● David Wade's radio column has been held out for lack of space

Mozart joins the auction boom

Sotheby's are today set to announce the musical 'sale of the century': **Richard Morrison** reports

An autograph manuscript of nine Mozart symphonies, bound together in one 510-page volume, is to be sold at Sotheby's in London on May 22. It is the most important music manuscript to be auctioned this century, and a sale price of over £1 million is predicted by experts.

If that is achieved it would more than triple the previous highest auction bid for a music manuscript — the £330,000 paid for the working draft of Stravinsky's *The Rite of Spring*, auctioned at Sotheby's five years ago.

Comprising the primary source of more than a quarter of all Mozart's numbered symphonies, the volume is arguably the most extensive and musically significant autograph music manuscript still in private ownership. The nine symphonies are numbers 22 to 30, probably composed in Salzburg in the early 1770s after Mozart had returned from his third trip to Italy. Among these important transitional works are several in the "Italian overture" three-movement format, but also three substantial masterpieces: the A major, K201; the C major, K200; and K183, the first of Mozart's two G minor symphonies.

The music is written on 10-stave manuscript paper in brown ink, and all (except for one movement) is in the unmistakable handwriting of Mozart. There is considerable evidence, including numerous deletions and rewritings, to indicate that the scores are not merely "fair copies" but working drafts. One particularly notable instance is a "false start" to the slow movement of the G minor Symphony. In any case, they are the only surviving autograph scores of these symphonies.

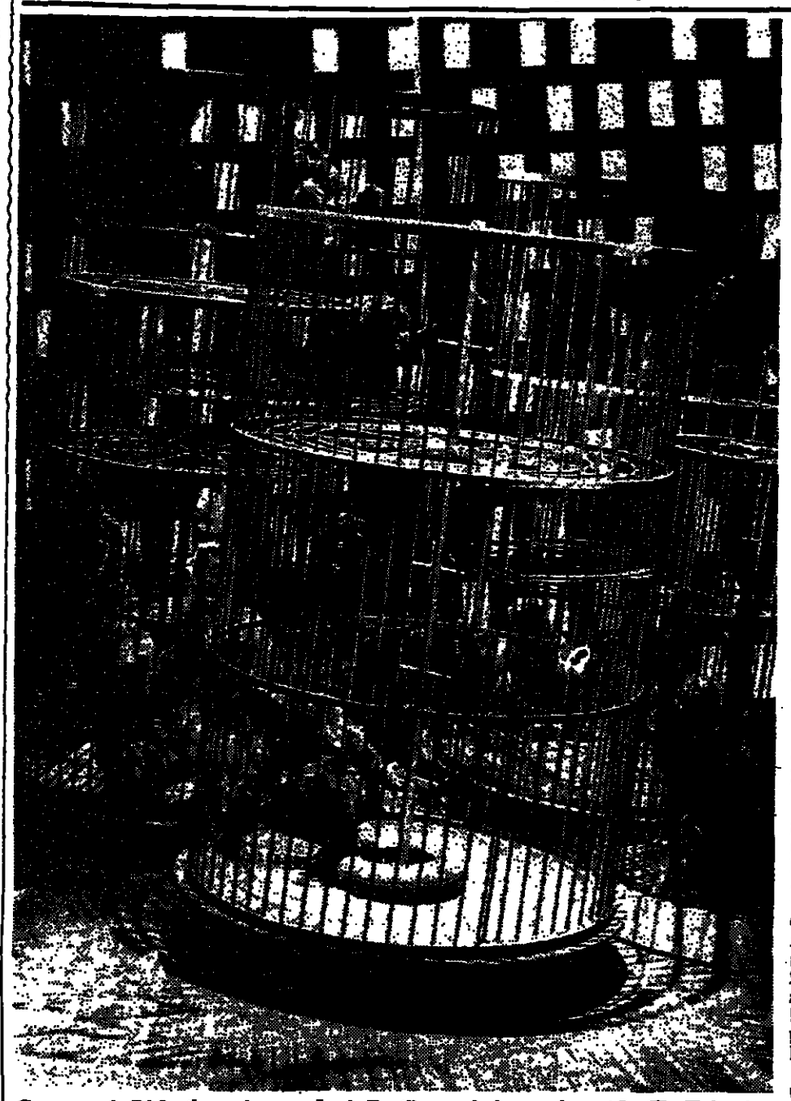
Leopold Mozart, the composer's father, evidently assembled and bound the volume, which is still in remarkable condition. He supplied the list of contents, including the opening bars of each symphony and details of instrumentation. Later the score was owned by Leopold von Sonnleithner (a lawyer friend of Schubert) and the 19th-century Leipzig music publisher August Cranz. It subsequently passed through various hands before being bought by its present owner, a (non-British) collector who intends to remain anonymous.

The sale is bound to attract huge interest, and some stratospheric bidding, simply by virtue of its uniqueness. Not only is this single volume a richer storehouse of Mozart symphony autographs than any library in the West can currently boast, it is also likely to be the last Mozart symphony manuscript ever to come to auction. All the others are already in public institutions.

Fifty years ago, the great majority of Mozart autographs were housed in the Preussische Staatsbibliothek in Berlin, but the effect of the Second World War was to scatter them far and wide. Many are now in Poland, several have been returned to West Berlin, and there are individual symphony autographs in libraries in Washington, New York, Vienna, Paris and East Berlin. The British Library has no symphonies in its Mozart collection. All of these institutions would dearly love to acquire this great prize: some may even have the funds to think realistically of doing so.



Opening of the best-known work in the manuscript: autograph of Symphony No 29 in A major, K201



Cages men build for themselves . . . Locio Fanti's massively complex set for *The Hairy Ape*

An ape on the King Kong scale

John Higgins, in Berlin, samples the fare being prepared for the Festival of German Arts which opens in London this month

A weekend in West Berlin at the moment is sufficient to give a sample of what to expect when the Festival of German Arts opens in London at the end of the month, with hefty and essential sponsorship from Mercedes-Benz. And an attractive foretaste it is too. The festival may be of German arts, but by far the greatest provider is Berlin itself, which is reasonable enough in the year that city celebrates its own 750th birthday with many a glare of rivalry being exchanged across the Wall.

Berlin's own exports to London during the eight weeks between April 27 and June 21 include its artists (Dietrich Fischer-Dieskau, who was born in the city, gives recitals at the Queen Elizabeth Hall on May 9, 11 and 14), its composers (Boris Blacher, who died there, is heard at the Barbican on May 15), inevitably its own orchestra, the Berlin Philharmonic under Karajan (the closing concert in the Festival Hall on June 10) and its leading theatre company, the Schaubühne (at the National Theatre from May 11 to 16). Karajan and his forces are currently installed in Salzburg, where the Easter Festival has just begun with *Don Giovanni*, but the closing performances of Eugene O'Neill's *The Hairy Ape*, or *Der haarige Affe* as it automatically becomes in Peter Stein's own translation, are on at the Schaübuhne in the Kurfürstendamm before it is packaged up for the road to London.

"Packaged" is rather too modest a word. Stein's stage demands can be considerable, as London saw when his version of Gorky's *Sommergäste* (*Summer Folk*) came to the Lyttelton almost a decade ago. *The Ape* will cause even more scratching of heads at the same theatre before it opens next month, not least because of the complexity of Lucio Fanti's sets, which come close to overshadowing Stein's concept of the play. O'Neill, when he wrote the piece in the early Twenties, was partly concerned with the cages men build for themselves and their attempts (unsuccessful in this case) to think a way out of the trap.

So for the first half of the evening Fanti has turned the stage into sections of an ocean-going liner. In the bunkroom the ceilings are so low the crew can scarcely stand upright. A floor below, in the lower depths, the furnaces are fuelled with real coal and those sitting in the front rows may well find themselves emerging looking like the Black and White Minstrels. Once Yank, the hairy ape of the title, has escaped from the ship to the fake liberty of Manhattan, Stein emphasizes the expressionist side of O'Neill's drama. The vision of New York, before Yank (a stunning performance by Roland Schäfer) gets crushed to death by another hairy one in the zoo, may owe as much to Georg Grosz's Berlin as to Fifth Avenue, but Stein's control of the stage is outstanding in as fine a piece of ensemble work as London is likely to see this year.

It will also be interesting to compare Stein's contemporary theatre techniques with those used by Robert Wiene in probably the most famous of all expressionist films, *The Cabinet of Dr Caligari*, which gets a showing at the National Film Theatre on May 7 and 8 with live accompaniment from the Paul Robinson Harmonie Band.

On the same side of the Kurfurstendamm as the Schaubuhne, but much further up towards the Zoo — how is the ape house there? — a pile of red and white police barriers is causing a good deal of controversy. Interviews with passers-by, who come out with expected cries of shock, fill in the odd moment on television. This is the creation of Olaf Metzel, whose work, plus that of some of his contemporaries, will be on display at the ICA from April 28 to May 31.

A rather more serious side of German television comes this Easter weekend with transmission on successive days of three documentaries on Berlin compiled by Irmgard von zur Muhlen. Geoff Brown noted the director's *Berlin zur Kaiserzeit* as a bright beacon in an otherwise dull Berlin Film Festival two years ago. Mme von zur Muhlen has just finished cutting *Berlin unter dem Hakenkreuz* (*Berlin beneath the Swastika*) in her studios over by the Wannsee. The techniques are similar and the prowess is equal titles and commentary are virtually expunged while the pictures and words of the time are allowed to speak for themselves.

Some of the material is familiar, such as the burning of the books, much though is new to the West, mainly drawn from sources in East Berlin and Moscow on a strictly barter basis — a millimetre of film for a millimetre of film. The result is a remarkable study of a people being manipulated and gradually accepting the lie put across by Goebbels above all. Berlin was *his* city and when Berlin's 700th birthday was celebrated Hitler left it to his specialist and preferred to stay himself in Bayreuth. The single screening of *Hakenkreuz*, at the Goethe Institute on May 21, should not be missed.

Meanwhile Berlin itself is alive with posters of jolly brown bears with chic bowties and coronets floating above their heads. Karajan and the Philharmonic give the opening concert on April 30 and, by the time affairs close six months later, Berlin will be the richer by a new auditorium for chamber music in the Philharmonie, the reopening of the Hamburg Station (right by the Wall) as a new museum and the renovation of the Martin Gropius building as a home for German craft at a cost of DM15m. That last construction is perhaps the favourite child of Herr Hassemer, the able and highly articulate Minister for Cultural Affairs.

And is he pleased with what London is getting? "Yes, we are sending you our best. Perhaps next time we will send you our youngest companies and artists as well."

Dynamic fires

OPERA

Don Giovanni
Coliseum

On the eve of yesterday's 200th anniversary of the Prague première of *Don Giovanni*, English National Opera saluted the work's enduring vivacity with a revival of Jonathan Miller's production first seen here 16 months ago. Roger Norrington is conducting the opera for the first time with this company, and he gave a brisk and vigorous performance that seemed to suggest more than a touch of Beethoven about his approach to Mozart.

It was not just that sudden surges of fiery dynamics flickered through the overture or that he retained the use of fortepiano and cello continuo for the recitatives (better balanced than before), but that each and every scene was given a degree of musical vehemence to inflame it. The *dramma* was indeed *giocoso*, as much in the tautness of the string playing and the pungency of the wind instruments as in the stridency on stage.

Here William Shimell has added to his darkly Byronic appearance as a sexual predator a touch of the tearaway rich hooligan as well, right from that first entry with his trousers in his hands instead of on his extremely naked legs.

Richard van Allan repeats his amusingly resourceful, almost patrician Leporello. He and Lesley Garrett as a temptingly sexy Zerlina were conspicuous by the model way in which they can use the music to inform their respective characters, with Mark Richardson's honest Masetto clearly destined never to be entirely sure of Zerlina again.

Of the newcomers to the cast, Rita Cullis recovered from an erratic start as Donna Anna to make quite the most convincing case for Mozart's abrupt change of style in her final aria that I have heard in a long while. Jane Eaglen voiced an over-enamelled tone as the rouged but vulnerable Elvira, allotted the extra aria we know as "Mi tradì" at the point where Ottavio (the earnest Maldwyn Davies) is deprived, on historical grounds, of "Il mio tesoro"

Dennis Wicks is new to the Commendatore and gives him such splendid sonority in the cemetery scene that one wishes for something more terrifying as the supper guest. At least Giovanni's adversaries no longer walk away at the end of Act I, but the stage blackout now leaves them in unresolved confrontation — which begs another question, as does the continued strident lighting of street scenes in Philip Prowse's imaginatively adaptable setting.

Noël Goodwin

CONCERT

Garcia/Conway
Wigmore Hall

The spur of writing for an eccentric instrumental combination brings out the pioneer spirit in some composers. Such was evidently the case with Judith Weir's *Gentle Violence*, the perky offspring of an unlikely alliance between piccolo and guitar. It draws inspiration and titles for its seven pithy movements from the Chinese martial arts. Being a little hazy about the finer points of *t'ai chi chuan*, I could not judge whether Weir's epigrams catch the essence of oriental wrestling, but they certainly caught the ear with their quirky exploitation of each instrument's idiomatic qualities.

For instance, in "Bending the bow to shoot tiger" a scamper of ascending guitar chords, followed by little piccolo whimpers, economically conveyed some inscrutable process of tension, release and kill. It contrasted well with the tossing ornaments of "Wild horse flinging its mane", or the piccolo's wide-spaced legato leaps in "Fair lady throws the shuttles" (an over-literal translation, perhaps?).

The other work premièred in this ambitious recital by Gerald Garcia and Clive Conway also bore picturesque movement titles. Anthony Payne's *A 1940s Childhood* evoked "soldiers marching", "crashed bomber" and so on, in a familiar vein of uneasy pastoralism. It was, however, too reliant on prolonged and rather tired ostinato figures.

While admiring the Garcia-Conway Duo's enterprise, one had reservations throughout about their execution. Takemitsu's dreary triptych *Towards the Sea* needed more positive phrasing from Conway on the alto flute, while Garcia gave little indication that he has located the brooding spirit (or indeed some of the notes) of Villa-Lobos's magnificent Five Preludes.

Both players were in better form for the ethnic items: Garcia's genteel but pleasing arrangements of Three Celtic Pieces, and Astor Piazzolla's *Histoire du tango*. The latter, tracing that steamy dance's evolution from the brothels of 19th-century Buenos Aires, included some colourful flute flourishes and much hearty knocking by the guitarist.

Richard Morrison

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Torpedoes in the Jacuzzi
Playhouse, Leeds

The script for this slim play — just 90 minutes including interval — although put together by Phil Young, was devised by the cast and director (Young again) through improvisation. This distant relative of the creative process became fashionable in the Seventies and *Crystal Clear*, assembled by Young in the same way, enjoyed a successful run in this country and went on to be produced in 15 others.

It so happens that the plot loosely told in the new play could serve as a metaphor for the usual fate of plays put together by the committee idea. In the opening scene a masseuse is thumping the shoulders of a fast-talking nobody whom we are later required to accept as an experienced businessman. Her kneading fingers give him an idea, namely that by combining health-club with night-club he will bring joy to West Yorkshire and thereby net a fortune. I do not suppose anyone in the audience believed that so stupid an idea had the smallest hope of success.

A male chauvinist night-club owner joins the partnership and antagonizes the two women owners of the local health-club. Nothing is ever firmly decided, the partners being too preoccupied with procedural details to get to grips with the enterprise that has brought them together. Their endeavour leads to nothing — because, like Young's work with the cast on the play itself, the initial idea is a distinct non-starter.

None of the issues, in plot or character, is more than faintly touched upon. Sadly this neglect extends to the hopeful sub-plot involving a slouchy wimp (Kulvinder Ghir) who may be his own snappy DJ twin brother.

Scenes are set in various rooms in the two clubs, neatly signalled by the presence in a cabinet of jars of fruit juice or bottles of alcohol. But, since the company spent three months researching and yet could come up with so little credible material, the potential of this approach looks neither life-enhancing nor cost-effective.

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The brain drain could 'force ICI to quit Britain'

By Pearce Wright, Science Editor

A company like ICI could be forced to withdraw its operating base from Britain if the brain drain of scientists and decline in research in the UK continues, according to Sir John Harvey-Jones, who was chairman of ICI until last week.

He will expand his views tonight on the *World In Action* television programme on the dilemma for industry caused by cuts in basic science and higher education.

But the suggestion that Britain's largest company could withdraw because of a drain of scientific talent is the most pessimistic prediction so far made about the consequences of the crisis in research and development.

Sir John, who is also Chancellor of Bradford University, will explain that Britain spends less on civil research and industrial research than her competitors. He will also show that spending on capital equipment to support scientists is pitifully low compared with the United States, Japan and West Germany.

Similar anxieties were voiced yesterday to Mr George Walden, Under Secretary of State for Education, by Professor Denis Noble of Oxford University, in an interview on the programme *This Week, Next Week.*

Mr Walden was interviewed by three professors and an industrial scientist.

Professor Noble cited the chemical industry as the best example of success from spending on research, and said that there would be no crisis if other industries followed suit.

But he feared for the future of the chemical industry because most of the talented research chemists aged between 35 and 40 had gone to the US.

On the same programme Professor Derek Burke, vice-chancellor of the University of East Anglia, was equally worried about the state of physics.

He told Mr Walden that physics was in a crisis because of what was happening in schools. If a plan devised for his own university did not work, the physics department there would be closed.

Professor Burke said that in the past three months six professors in his university had informed him about offers of posts in the US, which they were considering.

In a different vein, Dr William Gosling, technical director of the Plessey company, described the present situation as a symptom, not a disease. He recognized that a change in the pattern of research and development and in higher education was essential. He said it was a consequence of economic change.

Sir Randolph Quirk, president of the British Academy, referred to reports of leading academics from the arts and humanities, as well as the sciences, joining the brain drain as "three or four swallows migrating, and they do not make an autumn".

He said mobility was a good thing and science itself was not suffering. The question was: "How much of the action" Britain should and could retain.

Warning over threats to university research

By Our Education Reporter

A university vice-chancellor gave a warning at the weekend that universities would suffer as teaching institutions if their research facilities were concentrated in a few "centres of excellence".

Professor William Taylor, vice-chancellor of Hull University, criticized proposals put forward by Mr Christoper Ball, warden of Keble College, Oxford, for universities with poor research records to be turned *into "teaching only"* institutions.

He also criticized the University Grants Committee's new system of ranking universities by their research record which has prompted calls, some from the research councils who provide funding, for weaker universities to be deprived of research altogether.

"This has to be seen in the context of the numbers for whom universities in this country are catering", he said.

"Only 7 per cent of the relevant age groups currently study in the universities. Ours is a very selective system compared with most others. It follows that even those institutions that came out least well on the research grading are up to international university standards in large areas of their work when compared with university systems that admit twenty, thirty or sometimes an even higher percentage of 18 to 24-year-olds."

Professor Taylor's own university did not feature highly in the grants committee's rankings, with only one department named as "excellent".

He said: "Sadly, these research gradings have been treated in some parts of the world as an overall criterion referenced judgement of university quality. There is no sense in trying to designate a separate group of non-research universities, especially in an already selective system that has mechanisms in place for even greater selectivity at departmental and subject level."

He added that students benefit from being taught by "men and women who are able to ensure that the content of courses moves with the times. There is a real if intangible benefit in being educated in the atmosphere of research".

At home in the City and the country



Mr Robin Leigh-Pemberton, Governor of the Bank of England, after facing a round of gruelling international gatherings culminating in the IMF interim committee meeting in Washington, gets away from it all on his Kent farm exercising his horse Clubby (David Sapsted writes).

Having tackled the problems posed by the possible ramifications for the financial world of a trade war with Japan in the past week, 60-year-old Mr Leigh-Pemberton spent part of the weekend on his estate engaged in what he described as "modest manual labour

The City's top man, who also holds the rank of Lord Lieutenant of Kent, admits to a deep love of country life — his only recreation, according to *Who's Who* — and is ready to swap pinstripes for tweeds at the drop of a Deutschmark.

His other passion, cricket, will have to wait until an improvement in the weather.

Photograph: Stephen Markeson

Donaldson opposes sentences review

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official confirmation of the shared view of the accused and public alike that he had been extremely lucky."

Sir John said the matter was one for Parliament. But there was no doubt that there could be such a right of appeal without involving the prosecution.

But Sir John went on to attack the "current regime for instant and ill-informed comment on particular judges".

He also criticized increasing public demands for the dismissal of judges. Those were based on mistaken views of the powers to remove judges.

Sir John suggested reforming the system so that the dismissal of circuit judges for incapacity or misconduct was subject to the approval of the four High Court heads of division.

Sir John sounded a note of warning about the growing power of ministers over the administration of the courts.

He approved of the setting up of a unified court service which had come into effect in 1971. "Centralized administration has much to commend it in terms of efficiency."

But the management of the service was in the hands of senior non-judicial administrators, constituting a court service board, with circuit administrators deciding on resources, judge power, staff, accommodation, finance and agreeing productivity and efficient control of business.

That system, outlined in a recent paper on the civil courts from the Lord Chancellor's Department, was not based on a separation of powers but on "shared power" which was "potentially dangerous", Sir John said.

Strike will stop pay for jobless

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secretary, has the backing of the ruling right-wing National Moderate Group.

In the last two years both factions suffered internal rifts which resulted in the formation of rival factions. Mrs Pat Womersley is standing for the centre right Democratic Moderate Group and Miss Veronica Bayne is standing for the soft left EL84.

Mr Peter Desmond Thomas is standing as an independent and is the only candidate to have given an enthusiastic endorsement to Mr Kenneth Clark's policy of regional pay bargaining. Mr Clarke, the Paymaster General, had been severaly criticized by the CPSA for advocating greater pay flexibility, which the union does not believe will help alleviate the problem of low pay.

The election result is not expected before the CPSA conference on May 12.

Kurdish rebels are shot dead

Ankara (AP) — Security forces shot dead three suspected Kurdish guerrillas in a clash in south-east Turkey when they tried to slip into the country from Iraq on Saturday. Security forces called on them to surrender and the Kurds responded with gun fire.

The guerrillas were killed in a half-hour long shootout.

Inquiry call over sale of passports

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checking the credentials of everyone whose passport was authorized by the officer.

The practical difficulties of establishing whether any Syrians and Libyans were among the customers of the alleged racket looked daunting.

On the assumption that anyone with political intentions would use both a false name and background, it would be impossible to trace the holders.

Attention will focus on holders of passports that prove not to be easily checkable. Ports and airports could be instructed to watch for the passport numbers.

When Mr Robert McFarlane, President Reagan's former National Security Adviser, flew to Tehran with a Bible and a cake hoping to open negotiations with Iranian leaders, he is said to have carried a forged Irish passport.

Anxious to minimize the impact on Anglo-Irish relations, the Irish Embassy gave the Foreign Office advance warning that yesterday's edition of *People* was expected to publish the allegations. The investigation was already under way when the report appeared.

The Foreign Office said: "It is in the first instance for them to establish the fact. The Home Office and Foreign Office will actively follow up relevant points".

In Dublin a Department of Foreign Affairs official said that the allegations were being treated seriously.

Mr McDonald, who is married and had been at the London Embassy for five years, has an administrative grade below full diplomatic status. Under the Vienna Convention his immunity would be confined to the performance of his duties.

Whether that could or should protect the improper sale of passports has been under discussion in the Irish Department of Foreign Affairs.

It is thought in both capitals to pose a greater potential threat to relations than the risk of terrorist incidents resulting from misuse of the passports.

Interpol is expected to institute a worldwide alert to warn countries to watch for the illegal Irish passports.

The list of passport numbers and named holders will be circulated by Interpol, which regularly sends out lists of passports reported to be stolen by the governments of individual countries.

Countries will be told through Interpol that Ireland has cancelled the passports in the list and the holder could then be expelled or held by the country he was trying to enter.

Lists will also be sent out to immigration officials throughout the EEC, Special Branch at Scotland Yard which co-ordinate information for the ports security watch carried out by police throughout the country, and other foreign countries.

Japan to retaliate over US tariffs

From David Watts, Tokyo

The Japanese Government has decided to initiate action under the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade (GATT) against the United States' decision to impose 100 per cent penalty tariffs on $300 million-worth of Japanese exports from Friday.

Imposition of the tariffs became inevitable after the breakdown of negotiations in Washington at the end of last week when US officials said Japan had failed to make a convincing case. While the Government argues that one-sided application of such a tariff violates GATT rules, it will also seek a political solution to the worst outbreak of post-war trade friction between Tokyo and Washington.

The key element of this strategy is Prime Minister Yasuhiro Nakasone's visit to Washington at the end of this month. He will be preceded next weekend by Mr Shintaro Abe, former foreign minister and chairman of the Liberal Democratic Party's general council, in an attempt to win an acceptable compromise that would prevent the Nakasone visit being overshadowed by the semi-conductor fracas.

There are also expected to be talks with US Trade Representative Mr Clayton Yeutter during a visit to Japan which begins on Sunday.

Though it might be possible to persuade the US to revoke the decision to take unilateral action, the Ministry of International Trade and Industry believes it will take longer to bridge the gap on differences of understanding in the implementation of the semi-conductor agreement.

In a position paper, the Ministry denied that Japanese semi-conductor manufacturers were dumping their products in third markets below the cost of production or that Japan failed to give foreign firms wider access to its own market, and called for a joint study of pricing in their markets.

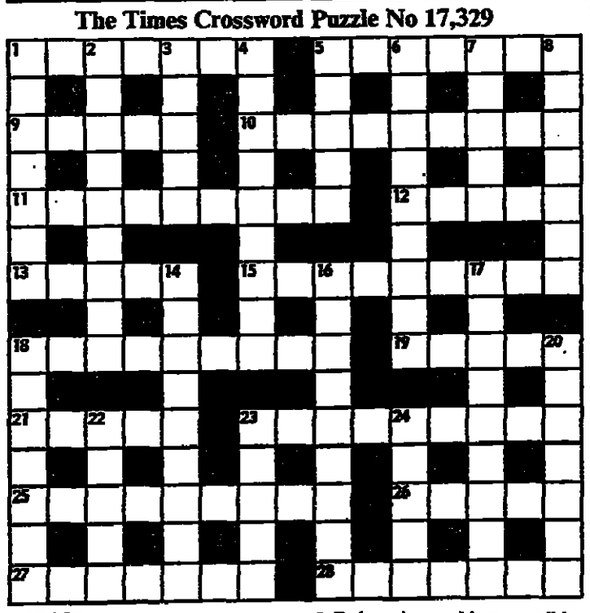


Mr Nakasone: Still seeking an acceptable compromise.

The Japanese Government would accept the US Commerce Department fixing a quarterly minimum price but did not agree to set up a minimum price quota in third-country markets.

● **Mr Michael Howard, the Minister for Consumer Affairs, is confident Japan will agree in May or June to British companies having greater access to the Tokyo stock exchange** ..... Page 21

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ACROSS

1 Getting out of such transport, people lost their heads (7).
5 Not all will be pleased a testy fellow calms down (7).
9 A simpleton's lodging in New York (5).
10 Paper carrier for crisp suit (5-4).
11 Shining fish ending in a tin, perhaps (9).
12 "Frighted the reign of *Chaos* and old ——" Milton (5).
13 Eastern service that is for the bondsman (5).
15 *Start testing A1 components* (9).
18 Lack of mice in the church? (9).
19 A note to file — "Hold on" (5).
21 Great get-together of soldier and social worker (5).
23 Rare continental articles used up (9).
25 A charge on sports in Alaska (9).
26 One having some knowledge about running water (5).
27 Intense fanatic (7).
28 Still to be seen in recent clothing for a youngster (7).

DOWN

1 "X" with powerful following that can be maintained (7).
2 End on time — this may well be noticed (9).
3 Splendid present, gold mounted (5).
4 A person who keeps reading (9).
5 A change of underwear (5).
6 Advocating closing after getting fed-up (9).
7 "Dynasty" in China retaining Western nasal sound (5).
8 *Put away in case it gives rise to* anger in some woman (7).
14 A dance group might see nothing amiss (9).
16 *Rush — a spring flowering plant* (9).
17 An expert in woman's make-up? (9).
18 One who doesn't feel obliged to discover where the fire is (7).
20 Head's quiet retreat (7).
22 Like bed? Then this is the place! (5).
23 Superior philosopher given employment (5).
24 Broadcast concerning the non-professional (5).

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The Easter Prize Jumbo Crossword will appear on Friday, April 17

WEATHER

General situation: south-east England will begin with hazy sunshine but cloud will soon thicken with a few spots of rain or drizzle from late morning onwards. Remaining parts of England and south-east Scotland will start with cool drizzly weather, with some hill and coastal fog in the west, but drier, brighter conditions will slowly move down. Northern Ireland and north-west Scotland will have a windy morning with some showers but also a little sunshine. As the wind dies down later, more clear spells will develop leading to a chilly evening. Outlook for tomorrow and Wednesday: rather cloudy with a little rain or drizzle at times, but mild except in the north.

ABROAD

MIDDAY: c, cloud; d, drizzle; f, fair; fg, fog; r, rain; s, sun; sn, snow; t, thunder.

	C	F		C	F
Ajaccio	f	16	61	Majorca	f	19	66
Akrotiri	f	19	66	Malaga	s	24	75
Alex'dria	s	20	68	Malta	f	16	61
Algiers	c	20	68	Melb'rne	s	27	81
Amst'dm	c	6	43	Mexico C*	f	22	72
Athens	f	16	61	Miami*	f	26	79
Bahrain	s	27	81	Milan	s	16	61
Barbados*	s	29	84	Montreal*	s	14	57
Barcelna	f	16	61	Moscow	s	8	46
Beirut		*		Munich	f	6	43
Belgrade	r	7	45	Nairobi	f	26	79
Berlin	c	10	50	Naples	f	18	64
Bermuda*	s	20	68	N Delhi	s	32	90
Biarritz	c	11	52	N York*		*	
Borde'x	c	12	54	Nice	f	15	59
Brussels	c	5	41	Oslo	f	7	45
Budapst	r	9	48	Paris	c	8	46
B Aires*	t	17	63	Peking	s	14	57
Cairo	s	28	82	Perth	s	20	68
Cape Tn	s	21	70	Prague	s	10	50
C'blanca	s	19	66	Reykjvik	r	7	45
Chicago*	f	14	57	Rhodes	s	18	64
Ch'church	s	16	61	Rio de J	s	29	84
Cologne	c	6	43	Riyadh	s	32	90
C'hagen	c	5	41	Rome	s	17	63
Corfu	f	16	61	Salzburg	c	8	46
Dublin	f	11	52	S F'risco*	s	15	59
Dubrovnik	s	15	59	Santiago*	s	21	70
Faro	s	22	72	S Paulo*	c	29	84
Florence	s	16	61	Seoul	f	8	46
Frankfurt	r	6	43	Sing'por	s	32	90
Funchal	f	17	63	Stckholm	c	4	39
Geneva	f	9	48	Strasb'rg	c	5	41
Gibraltar	s	21	70	Sydney	c	24	75
Helsinki	s	6	43	Tangier	s	21	70
Hong K	r	19	66	Tel Aviv	s	21	70
Innsbruck	r	5	41	Tenerife	f	22	72
Istanbul	c	7	45	Tokyo	c	7	45
Jeddah	s	32	90	Toronto*	f	17	63
Jo'burg*		*		Tunis	f	18	64
Karachi	s	30	86	Valencia	f	19	66
L Palmas	f	20	68	Vancouver*	r	8	46
Le Touquet	c	9	48	Venice	s	15	59
Lisbon	s	17	63	Vienna	f	11	52
Locarno	f	16	61	Warsaw	r	3	37
L Angels*	c	17	63	Wash'ton*	s	26	79
Luxemburg	r	4	39	Wel'ton	s	15	59
Madrid	f	16	61	Zurich	f	8	46

* denotes Saturday's figures are latest available

The solution of Saturday's Prize Puzzle No 17,328 will appear next Saturday

AROUND BRITAIN

	Sun hrs	Rain in	Max C	Max F	
Scarboro	0.9	.54	10	50	rain
Bridlington	-	.48	9	48	rain
Cromer	2.5	.23	7	45	rain
Lowestoft	2.8	.23	8	46	shower
Clacton	9.6	.08	11	52	sunny
Southend	10.1	.11	11	52	sunny
Margate	*	.04	11	52	sunny
Folkestone	11.7	.09	12	54	sunny
Hastings	11.7	.07	12	54	sunny
Eastbourne	10.5	.08	12	54	sunny
Brighton	11.1	.10	11	52	sunny
Worthing	10.9	.13	12	54	sunny
Littlehmptn	10.6	.12	12	54	sunny
Bognor R	10.2	.14	12	54	sunny
Southsea	10.9	.11	12	54	sunny
Sandown	11.0	-	*	*	sunny
Shanklin	11.2	.19	11	52	sunny
Bournemth	10.3	.20	12	54	sunny
Poole	10.7	.20	12	54	sunny
Swanage	*				
Weymouth	9.8	.11	12	54	sunny
Exmouth	5.3	.08	10	50	sunny
Teignmouth	6.0	.07	11	52	sunny
Torquay	6.4	.15	12	54	sunny
Falmouth	*				
Penzance	1.1	.05	11	52	bright
Scilly Isles	0.4	.02	11	52	dull
Jersey	5.3	.21	12	54	sunny
Guernsey	7.2	.07	12	54	sunny
Newquay	5.8	.02	13	55	sunny
Ilfracombe	*	.09	11	52	sunny
Minehead	9.9	.14	10	50	sunny
B'pool Airpt	6.2	.09	9	48	bright
Morecambe	1.1	.22	8	46	cloudy
Douglas	10.3	.11	9	48	sunny
B'ham Airpt	4.8	.09	9	48	shower
Bristol (Cnt)	10.7	.22	11	52	sunny
Carlisle	6.2	.06	7	46	shower
London	9.1	.06	13	55	sunny
Manchester	2.4	.34	9	48	shower
N'cstl-n-Tyne	-	.70	5	41	sleet
Nottingham	3.0	.12	8	46	shower
Anglesey	10.2	.02	10	50	sunny
Cardiff (Cnt)	8.0	.10	10	50	shower
Colwyn Bay	-				
Tenby	10.3	.08	11	52	sunny
Aberdeen	2.3	1.22	8	46	sleet
Edinburgh	0.7	.17	8	46	rain
Eskdalemuir	0.4	.27	6	43	shower
Glasgow	4.8	.17	11	52	bright
Kinloss	4.1	.66	9	48	shower
Lerwick	6.2	.01	8	46	sunny
Prestwick	5.8	.06	11	52	bright
Stornoway	10.7	.23	10	50	sunny
Tiree	10.3	-	9	48	sunny
Wick	7.1	.07	9	48	sunny
Belfast	10.5	-	10	50	sunny

These are Saturday's figures

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HIGH TIDES

TODAY	AM	HT	PM	HT
London Bridge	2.12	6.7	2.35	7.0
Aberdeen	1.48	3.9	1.48	4.1
Avonmouth	7.35	12.6	8.00	12.7
Belfast	11.24	3.3	11.44	3.1
Cardiff	7.20	11.8	7.45	11.7
Devonport	6.08	5.3	6.35	5.3
Dover	11.21	6.2	11.41	6.5
Falmouth	5.38	5.1	6.05	5.1
Glasgow	1.25	4.2	1.11	4.7
Harwich	12.06	3.7	12.32	3.9
Holyhead	10.46	5.4	11.04	5.4
Hull	6.51	7.1	6.58	7.3
Ilfracombe	6.27	8.8	6.49	8.9
Leith	3.00	5.2	3.13	5.4
Liverpool	11.44	9.1	—	—
Lowestoft	10.16	2.2	10.37	2.4
Margate	12.09	4.5	12.42	4.6
Milford Haven	6.40	6.8	7.00	6.9
Newquay	5.31	6.8	5.51	6.9
Oban	6.11	3.9	6.44	3.9
Penzance	5.06	5.4	5.32	5.4
Portland	7.15	2.0	8.06	2.1
Portsmouth	11.51	4.5	—	—
Shoreham	11.38	6.0	midnt	6.2
Southampton	11.27	4.3	11.49	4.5
Swansea	6.46	9.2	7.07	9.3
Tees	4.07	5.1	4.14	5.3
Wilton-on-Nze	—	—	12.25	4.1

Tide measured in metres: 1m=3.2808ft.

THE POUND

	Bank Buys	Bank Sells
Australia $	2.36	2.24
Austria Sch	21.55	20.45
Belgium Fr	63.75	60.35
Canada $	2.176	2.075
Denmark Kr	11.53	10.93
Finland Mkk	7.60	7.10
France Fr	10.15	9.65
Germany Dm	3.065	2.905
Greece Dr	219	208
Hong Kong $	13.12	12.42
Ireland Pt	1.148	1.088
Italy Lire	2175	2065
Japan Yen	242	226
Netherlands Gld	3.45	3.27
Norway Kr	11.47	10.87
Portugal Esc	232	222
South Africa Rd	4.45	3.65
Spain Pta	212.50	202.50
Sweden Kr	10.69	10.14
Switzerland Fr	2.54	2.41
USA $	1.696	1.616
Yugoslavia Dnr	1060	960

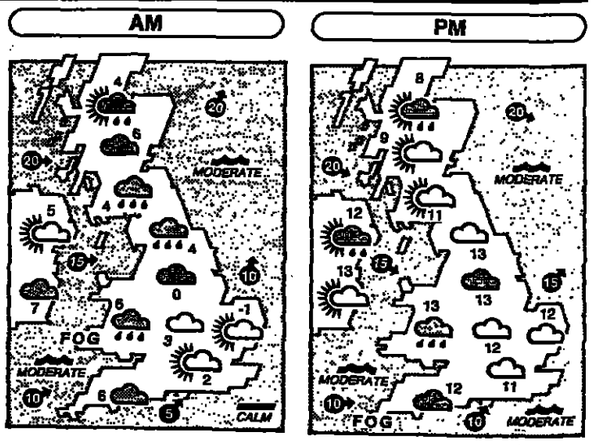
Rates for small denomination bank notes only as supplied by Barclays Bank PLC. Different rates apply to travellers' cheques.

Retail Price Index: 100.5

London: The *FT* Index closed down 22.4 at 1523.8.

New York: The Dow Jones Industrial average closed down 0.42 at 2336.78.

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LIGHTING-UP TIME

London 8.23 pm to 5.39 am
Bristol 8.33 pm to 5.48 am
Edinburgh 8.44 pm to 5.42 am
Manchester 8.35 pm to 5.43 am
Penzance 8.42 pm to 6.02 am

YESTERDAY

Temperatures at midday yesterday: c, cloud; f, fair; r, rain; s, sun.

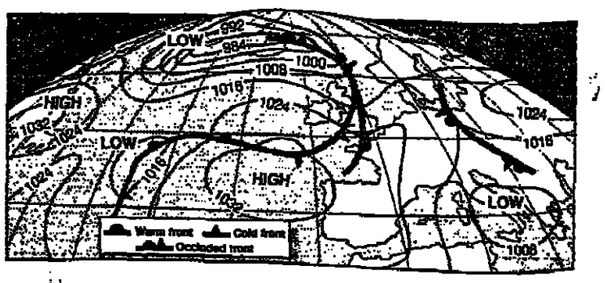
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Belfast	s	10	50	Guernsey	s	8	48
B'mingham	f	9	48	Inverness	f	9	48
Blackpool	s	9	48	Jersey	s	10	50
Bristol	s	11	52	London	c	9	48
Cardiff	s	11	52	M'nchester	s	10	50
Edinburgh	s	11	52	Newcastle	f	9	48
Glasgow	s	11	52	R'nldsway	s	9	48

Sun rises: 6.11 am
Sun sets: 7.53 pm
Moon sets: 5.58 am
Moon rises: 7.26 pm
Full Moon Tomorrow

HIGHEST & LOWEST

Saturday: Highest day temp: Newquay (Cornwall) 13C (55F); lowest day max: St Abb's Head (Borders); highest rainfall: Aberdeen 1.22 in, highest sunshine: Folkestone and Hastings 11.7 hr.

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STOCK MARKET
(Change on week)
FT 30 Share
1523.8 (–22.6)
FT-SE 100
1936.7 (–28.4)
Bargains
39100 (59197)
USM (Datastream)
163.86 (+1.63)

THE POUND
(Change on week)
US dollar
1.6275 (+0.0130)
W German mark
2.9409 (+0.0114)
Trade-weighted
72.1 (+0.2)

Dollar faces crucial test

Free-fall feared after G7 talks disappoint

By Richard Thomson, Banking Correspondent

The dollar faces a critical week on the currency markets after the inconclusive meeting of finance ministers in Washington. The US currency's continuing weakness could turn into free-fall in markets which have lost confidence in official attempts to stabilize currencies at their present levels.

The crucial test for the markets will come tomorrow when the US trade figures for February are due to be announced.

If the deficit is larger than the expected $13 billion for the month, many dealers fear the dollar will nose-dive.

A wave of panic selling could then cause the dollar to overshoot its appropriate level with the yen, despite expected heavy central bank intervention to prevent the yen rising any further.

The dollar already stands close to its lowest against the yen. Last Friday it dropped to an all-time low of Y141.65, before closing slightly higher after central bank intervention.

Currency markets have not been encouraged by the apparent lack of agreement between industrialized countries on currency levels. The conclusion of the meeting of the finance ministers of the Group of Seven last week was met with scepticism by the currency markets which seem to have concluded that the dollar must fall further.

The ministers reaffirmed their belief, expressed two months ago in Paris, that present currency levels broadly reflect underlying economic fundamentals.

There were no new proposals on ways to speed up the readjustment process and ministers hinted afterwards that a further decline in the dollar might in any case be desirable.

Some dealers pointed out that at the time of the Paris meeting, the dollar was stronger than it is now against most currencies. They said it was not clear what the authorities regarded as the correct parities.

Market confidence was further shaken by the comment on Friday by Mr Toyoo Gyothen, the Japanese Vice-Minister for International Affairs, that: "It is impossible to tell you not to worry about the currency issue while various problems of the world economy remain."

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The likelihood that US sanctions against imports of Japanese microchips will be imposed on Friday is also sending shudders through the market.

Hope that the two countries would resolve their dispute over semi-conductors vanished last Friday when the US government announced that talks with the Japanese had gone nowhere. That paves the way for US sanctions which the Reagan Adminsitration first announced two weeks ago.

When the Administration first announced the measures, which include a 100 per cent tariff on a wide range of Japanese electronic goods, the dollar dropped sharply and the panic spread to world stock markets.

The Dow Jones industrial average dropped 57.31 points to 2,278.41 while the FT Ordinary Share index fell 38.4 points to 1,582.2. The dollar fell by more than one yen to a low of Y144.70 despite intervention of about $3 billion by the Bank of Japan buying.

The panic was short-lived, however, as markets were reassured by the start of negotiations on trade between the US and Japan and the prospect of the G7 meeting in Washington, and stock markets began rising again. The correction last time gives rise to hopes that dealers will be more sanguine this week, even though the economic news is worse than it was at the end of last month.

Against this background it will not take much to undermine the dollar. "Quite simply, if the trade figures are bad, the dollar will continue to go down. But if they are good, the decline could be arrested," said one New York dealer.

The fundamental weakness of the dollar was demonstrated by its continued gradual decline against the yen after its sharp drop two weeks ago.

One official response to a further sudden decline in the dollar could be to raise US interest rates. This, however, would only be a last resort.

US NOTEBOOK

Pendulum swings to pessimism

From Maxwell Newton
New York

A major reassessment of the economic outlook for the United States and the world is sweeping the media and the financial markets.

Optimists in the brokerage houses of Tokyo and New York have seen a dark cloud appear as the world and the US begin the process of adjusting to the huge disequilibria in trade, productivity and currencies that have existed since 1984.

Now the pendulum is likely to swing too far towards pessimism. There are fears of inflation, of a "free-fall" of the dollar and of concurrent sharp devaluation and tightening by the Federal Reserve.

The important change which has occurred in the pattern of money growth in the US is still not understood.

A key factor in the evolution of the value of the dollar is the end of money growth in real terms in the US.

Money M1 and M2 have both shown nominal growth rates of only about 4 per cent a year between December, 1986 and the end of March. But this does not mean that there will be an immediate improvement in the value of the dollar *vis-à-vis* the yen.

The devaluation of the dollar against the yen reflects fundamental changes in the relative economic and financial power of Japan and the US. It is more of a deflationary threat than an inflationary one, as it serves still more to stifle economic growth in Japan.

But it is not within the United States' power to make any greater contribution to world economic growth. It has done more than its share by plunging into debt to maintain a rate of imports which is totally unjustified by its economic achievements.

It must now begin to move towards living within its means.

RESULTS

TODAY — Interims: Glaxo Holdings, Highland Distilleries Company, Rand Mines Group (results expected April 14). **Finals:** Allied Insurance Brokers Group, Charles Baynes, Blue Circle Industries, Bodycote International, Child Health Research Investment Trust, JJ Dewhirst Holdings, Fortnum & Mason, London & Metropolitan Estates Holdings, Lyon & Lyon, Morgan Crucible, John Mowlem, Photax (London), Quarto Group, Radamec Group, Technology Project Services, Yule Catto.
TOMORROW — Interims: None announced. **Finals:** Barham Group, Bentalls, Guthrie Corporation, Norfolk Capital Group, RMC Group, Savoy Hotel, Steel Brothers Holdings, Taylor Woodrow, Telephone Rentals, Ward White Group.
WEDNESDAY — Interims: Anchor Chemical Group, Astra Holdings, Humberside Electronic Controls, McKechnie Brothers, New Central Witwatersrand Areas, Smiths Industries, Wade Potteries. **Finals:** Avis Europe, Bardsey, British Mohair Holdings, Carlton Industries, Horace Cory, Albert Fisher Group, Hawker Siddeley Group, Helene of London, Laporte Industries (Holdings), Walter Lawrence, Parambe, Pearl Group, William Sindall, United Ceramic Distributors.
THURSDAY — Interims: British Empire Securities and General Trust, Kalamazoo. **Finals:** Atlas Converting Equipment, Eastern Produce Holdings, Hyman, Scottish Mortgage & Trust, Smaller Companies International Trust, JW Spear & Sons, Toye & Company.
FRIDAY — Interims: None announced (Bank Holiday). **Finals:** Renown Inc.

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Harrods owners take legal advice



Mohamed Al-Fayed: purchase of group 'was above board'

DTI inquiry is just not fair, says Al-Fayed

By Colin Campbell

The Al-Fayed brothers, who acquired control of the House of Fraser in 1985, yesterday said they were considering their legal position after the appointment last week of Department of Trade and Industry inspectors to investigate how the family financed its £615 million cash bid.

The brothers have been engaged in a long-running battle with Lonrho and Mr Roland "Tiny" Rowland, the chief executive, ever since.

The announcement of an inquiry two years after the event "just is not fair," Mr Mohamed Al-Fayed told *The Times*. He added that it set a bad example to other foreigners who wished to invest in Britain. He maintained that the purchase of the House of Fraser, the department store chain which owns Harrods, was "above board", and that since the family first started to invest in Britain it had been responsible for £3 billion worth of exports.

Because the DTI inquiry was bound to take some months, it would be inconvenient, and disruptive to an employer of 24,000 people, Mr Al-Fayed added.

Last week, House of Fraser said formally that while it did not welcome the inconvenience of an inquiry, at least it was an opportunity to clear the matter up once and for all.

However, House of Fraser added "we are consulting our legal advisers and our future action will be determined by their advice."

The Al-Fayeds have refused to expand on that statement, though it is suggested they may object to the DTI about the inspectors, alleging a possible conflict of interest.

Mr Paul Channon, Secretary of State for Trade and Industry, last week appointed Mr Philip Heslop, QC, and Mr Hugh Aldous, a chartered accountant, to investigate the Al-Fayeds' purchase and funding of House of Fraser. Mr Heslop is acting for Mr Ernest Saunders, the former Guinness chairman, who met Mr Rowland, Lonrho's chief executive, last week. Suggestions that Mr Rowland plans to offer a job to Mr Saunders have also raised eyebrows in the Al-Fayed camp.

A senior barrister of Mr Heslop's chambers is said to have signed the writs issued by Lonrho against the House of Fraser and the Al-Fayeds in the various legal actions between the two groups.

The DTI said yesterday: "There is no link whatsoever between the Guinness inquiry and the appointment of inspectors for the House of Fraser."

It is understood that there is no structure whereby interested parties may appeal against the Secretary of State's appointment of DTI inspectors.

Howard optimism on greater access to Japan

By Colin Narbrough

Mr Michael Howard, the Minister for Corporate and Consumer Affairs, who returned from a trouble-shooting mission to Japan at the weekend, is optimistic about British companies gaining greater access to the Tokyo Stock Exchange.

This is the central issue in the row between Japan and Britain. Mr Howard presented the Japanese with a timetable for opening up the Tokyo Stock Exchange and stated Britain's readiness to use powers under the Financial Services Act to refuse or revoke licences from Japanese financial institutions in the City.

He gave the Japanese a deadline of May or June, when a bilateral meeting of Treasury officials is due, to give a positive response.

He declined to reveal details of the timetable yesterday, but disclosed his own optimism about the outcome.

He said: "I believe there is a considerable chance that we will get a positive response in May or June."

Mr Howard, whose mission acquired a much higher profile than originally intended following anger in Parliament and Whitehall over the treatment of Cable and Wireless by the Japanese, underlined that he did not expect the Tokyo Stock Exchange's response to give specific dates for companies to join.

Mr Howard said: "What I am looking for is an agreement that the timetable I have presented is viable." This would mean that British companies could expect to take up places on the Tokyo Stock Exchange in months, not years.

On C&W, he said that there had been unconfirmed reports on the Japanese side, but it was now a matter of waiting to see whether this would satisfy the British company. A meeting of the C&W consortium tomorrow could provide the answer.

Mr Howard underlined that he made no attempt in Tokyo to negotiate on behalf of C&W, whose bid for a large stake in Japan's lucrative telephone market has so far been frustrated, despite intervention by Mrs Thatcher.

Tentative signs of a satisfactory solution have not been publicly acknowledged by C&W, but the group is believed to feel that the Japanese are moving in the right direction. Unconfirmed reports from Japan talk of the government deciding to allow licences for two new telecommunications consortia, the scheme favoured by C&W.

Despite criticism that he had come home empty-handed, Mr Howard expressed general contentment with the way his mission had gone. He had made British feelings about imbalances in trade and financial services with Japan clear. He will be reporting to his Cabinet colleagues this week.

UK 'heading for 7.5% inflation'

By Our Economics Correspondent

Britain's economy is likely to suffer severe overheating next year, with a growing trade gap and a sharp rise in inflation, according to a new forecast.

The report, from Williams de Broe, the broker, is based on a monetarist model of the economy. It predicts 7.5 per cent inflation and a current account deficit running at an annual rate of £5.8 billion in the first half of next year.

This compares with Treasury forecasts of 4 per cent inflation and a £2 billion current account deficit.

Williams de Broe is concerned about the sharp rise in broad money, sterling M3. The March money supply figures, due next week, are expected to show a rise of about 3 per cent in sterling M3.

"Severe economic overheating appears in the form of both higher and accelerating inflation and a worse payments deficit by mid-1988," according to the report.

The broker is optimistic about demand, expecting a 5.5 per cent rise in consumer spending this year. But much of this demand will be translated into higher imports, it is predicted.

Norway turns gas up

Oslo (Reuter) — The Norwegian government is proposing to move away from its traditional reliance on hydro-electric power by accelerating the development of its huge offshore gas reserves to meet the growing demand for domestic power.

The government, in a report to parliament, has called for up to 20 per cent of Norway's power needs by the year 2,000 to utilize gas-driven power plants based on offshore gas reserves.

World Bank cuts staff

From Bailey Morris, Washington

A fundamental review of the roles played by the World Bank and the International Monetary Fund in channelling funds to poor countries and encouraging economic growth is to take place following slow implementation of the Baker debt plan agreed in 1975.

M Michel Camdessus, the new managing director of the International Monetary Fund, said last week that seven nations are currently in arrears. This he cited as an "unsustainable" example of why international concern over the five-year debt crisis has re-awakened.

Mr Barber Conable, the president of the World Bank, told the meeting of the IMF and World Bank of the severe problems in implementing the Baker plan. As a result, its policy will have to be reviewed.

Mr Conable acknowledged the problems when he told ministers: "Questions have been raised about whether the bank is properly organized for the tasks confronting it."

Early next month, it will announce a 20 per cent reduction in staff, the most dramatic overhaul of its internal operations in more than a decade. "I am determined that this reorganization will make us more efficient and more responsive," he said.

The meetings last week endorsed special aid to the poorest nations in sub-Sahara Africa and new initiatives to force commercial banks to lend more to developing countries. But it will take many more meetings and endorsements by heads of government to produce the specific programmes.

According to the Chancellor, Mr Nigel Lawson, the ratio of debt to exports in the 15 most heavily indebted nations has risen from 270 per cent in 1982 to 343 per cent last year.

The ratio of gross domestic product to debt has also risen, from 42 per cent in 1982 to 50 per cent last year. Capital flight remained severe, averaging $16 billion a year from 1983 to 1985, the Chancellor said.

But critics are expecting swift implementation of longer term structural adjustment loans, which the bank has been slow to undertake, even though this was a key component of the 1985 debt plan.

"Mr Conable's leadership in channelling resources to poor countries will be under review," a European minister said last week.

Growth rate to be halved, W German institutes say

By David Smith
Economics Correspondent

A gloomy but highly influential forecast for the West German economy will be published today, adding to pressure on the Bonn government to provide a further stimulus for the economy.

The five West German institutes are expected to predict a growth rate for this year of about 1.5 per cent, half the rate forecast by the group last autumn.

The strength of the mark has hit West German exports and produced a slowdown in industrial output. The forecast will be embarrassing for the government, which in January committed itself to 2.5 per cent growth this year.

Arriving at a consensus forecast has not been easy for the five institutes. The Kiel Institute has been more optimistic than the others and, while accepting a lower growth figure than the government forecast, expects stronger growth in 1988.



Herr Stoltenberg: promised to bring forward tax cuts

But the DIW Institute in West Berlin, is anticipating only 1 per cent growth this year, and a slowdown in 1988.

DRI Europe, the London-based forecasting group, predicts 1.7 per cent growth for West Germany this year, in a report published today.

The West German economy almost certainly declined in the first quarter, both in response to the poor weather and the problems for export-based industries.

At the Paris meeting of the six leading industrialized nations in February, Herr Gerhard Stoltenberg, the West German finance minister, promised to bring forward tax cuts to stimulate the economy.

However, the suddenness of the downturn in the West German economy indicates that further action may be needed and the Bundesbank could come under pressure to cut its discount rate from the present 3 per cent level.

The dollar fell to DM1.80 on Friday, following the yen higher. Since the last forecast by the five institutes, the mark has risen strongly, including its January revaluation within the European Monetary System.

Barrick down to 1% stake in Consgold

By Our City Staff

American Barrick Resources, the North American mining company which in 1986 built up a near-5 per cent stake in Consolidated Gold Fields and fanned speculation that it was going to mount a takeover bid, now holds only a 1 per cent stake, according to Consgold's share register.

Mr Peter Munk, the chairman of Barrick, said in March the company had sold some Consgold shares but declined to say how many.

Barrick's reduction follows an exceptionally sharp appreciation in Consgold's share price, which by Friday had reached a year's high of £10 a share.

The manner in which Barrick acquired its shares alarmed the board of Consgold which instituted a DTI inquiry into irregularities in its share register.

The report could be ready within two months.

Coffee price 'will go on falling'

By Colin Narborough

Coffee prices are likely to continue falling in real terms into the next decade, irrespective of whether producers and consumers agree on restoring export quotas for raw coffee.

This is one of the conclusions of a report, published today by the Economist Intelligence Unit, entitled *"Coffee to 1991, Controlling the Surplus"*.

The International Coffee Organization's failure to agree on export quotas, which were suspended at the beginning of last year, is proving costly to coffee-growing nations. Many are heavily in debt.

The report says that while there is highly subjective resistance from potential losers — such as Brazil, the world's largest producer — to consumers' insistence on "objective criteria" for determining how export quotas are allocated between producers, quotas cannot be reimposed to prop up an oversupplied market.

But the four price scenarios outlined in the report, including the one with the lowest prices, assume that quotas will be introduced by October. Failing that, some sort of market support operation by the producers, similar to the market manipulation of the 1970s by Pancafe, is expected.

Quotas or market support operations are, however, unlikely to raise the raw coffee price much above 130 cents (80p) a pound in 1990-91, compared with about 122 cents in 1986-87. This means that prices at the start of the next decade will be a third lower in real terms than in the mid-1980s.

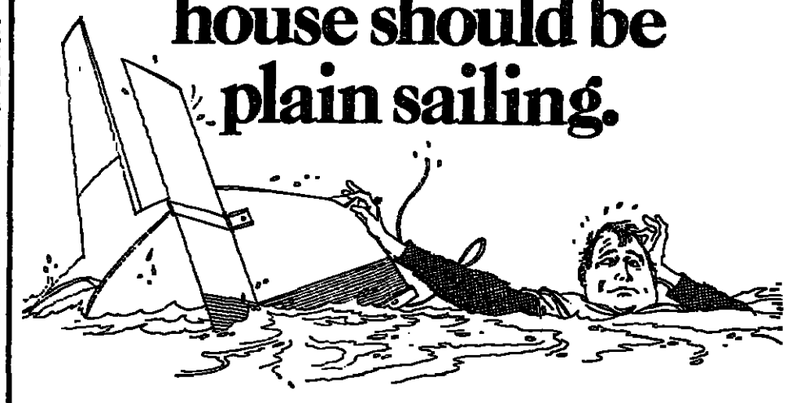
Contrary to widely-accepted market wisdom, extreme weather conditions in Brazil produce only short-term price surges and are of little benefit to coffee producers in the long run. The report does not, however, disregard weather and notes that a severe frost in Brazil in 1989 could push prices as high as 205 cents a pound.

The report expects the fall in consumption to continue in the United States, the world's biggest consumer.

The British market for coffee has been growing at an average 1.3 per cent a year since the mid-1970s. Britons now use about 2.5 kilos (5lbs 8oz) of coffee per head a year, with instant coffee accounting for the bulk, although there is a distinct trend towards quality brands.

Roast and ground coffee, which account for 15 per cent (by weight) of the total British consumption of 65,000 tons, account for only 12 cups of every 100 consumed. Instant coffee produces more cups per pound.

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GILT-EDGED

G6 has need and clout to end the dollar's fall

The euphoric reception that the gilts market accorded the Budget has now given way to a mood of caution. The main worries are external and relate in particular to the fear that US interest rates are set to rise further to protect a weakening dollar and/or to curb US inflation.

My belief is that this threat has been overstated. Further rises in US interest rates are not a realistic policy option, given underlying weak US economic growth and US and Third World financial problems.

Inflation in the US is set to rise to about 4 per cent in 1987 which is not unduly troublesome. The main danger in the US is that of prospective economic slowdown which argues for lower, not higher, US interest rates.

The wild card in the pack is, of course, the dollar. As Mr Paul Volcker, the chairman of the Federal Reserve Board, re-emphasized last week at the Senate Banking Committee, should the dollar fall significantly further, all bets are off.

A marked rise in US interest rates to stabilize the dollar, followed by recession in the US, and eventually elsewhere, could ensue — I ascribe a relatively low probability to this crisis scenario, but it still needs to be considered in investment decision making.

My conviction is that the downside in the dollar is relatively small, with the US currency close to bottoming out. The hard fact is that major nations share a vested interest to avoid a free dollar fall and to stimulate sluggish world growth; this was very much in evidence at the recent G6 accord and the latest World Bank/IMF meetings in Washington.

Further, they have the firepower, in the form of concerted intervention and greater policy synchronization, to limit the dollar's decline.

Exchange rate intervention, particularly when underpinned by credible policy stances is far more effective than generally allowed for. It is the level of currency transactions at the margin which moves currency values and these are highly amenable to intervention.

It is becoming clear that benign neglect of currencies is a thing of the past. After 14 years of relatively free currency floating, the world is heading back towards managed exchange rates. It is no coincidence that in the last few months strict money supply targeting has recently been jettisoned by the US, Britain and West Germany, with the domestic currency now the most important monetary indicator.

Of particular significance is the recent abandonment of strict monetarism by West Germany. This should leave elbow room for West German interest rates to fall further without affecting the credibility of the Bundesbank. In turn, this would probably provide the catalyst for further interest rate falls in the rest of Western Europe and in Japan.

The hidden threat is that should no genuine policy easing materialize elsewhere, the US policy makers will revert to talking the dollar down. In such circumstances, dollar weakness would be considered by the Americans as the only viable way of stimulating domestic economic growth and reducing the trade deficit.

Where does this leave sterling? So far, the pound has been a major beneficiary of the Paris G6 initiative to stabilize the dollar.

Sterling's new found firmness is likely to continue for a fair while yet. It is underpinned by a firm oil price, high interest rates in Britain, strong domestic economic and political fundamentals and an official commitment to avoid a significant rise or fall in the pound.

Official pursuit of an implicit exchange rate target against the mark probably implies that we are only a short step away from outright EMS membership.

In the authorities' eyes, sterling stability is aimed at "locking in" hard earned devaluation gains for British exporters, generating domestic monetary confidence and maintaining the attraction of sterling assets for overseas investors.

Against this backcloth, the offshore investor is likely to remain a key player in British financial markets. Dollar-based, mark block-based and yen-based investors are still raising their British allocations and weightings.

After all, despite what is perceived to be a greater currency risk on the dollar than on the pound, long gilts currently yield 130 basis points more than the US long bond. The differential between yields on sterling bonds and those on mark and yen bonds is also particularly attractive (viz 4 per cent to 5 per cent), given the limited currency risk on sterling.

The main area of concern for the pound is the political arena. Any general election result other than an outright Tory victory would have an adverse effect upon gilts.

Interestingly, both in 1979, when the Conservatives took over from Labour, and in 1983, when the Tories were re-elected, the main rise in gilts occurred in the run up to the general elections. The gilt market flagged after the election in 1979 as a result of strict monetarist policies to curb inflation and in 1983 on the back of a sterling crisis.

Prospects of a British currency crisis and/or severe economic retrenchment after the election are slim. The domestic policy stance is reasonably tight and the economy is performing well. The Chancellor has established a reasonable good forecasting track record regarding the out-turn on inflation, the PSBR and growth. The projected current account deficit on the British balance of payments is manageable.

In all, external and domestic economic and political worries do not justify the "risk premium" still incorporated in gilt yields. With sterling remaining firm, there is ample scope for our interest rates to fall further.

My central belief is that long gilt yields in the next few months could fall from more than 9 per cent today to breach the 8.75 per cent psychological barrier reached in the spring of last year. By the year-end, long gilt yields should be near 8 per cent. On this basis and on my central assumption of relative sterling stability, the annualized total return on holding long gilts to the year end for sterling, DM bloc and yen-based investors would be just over 20 per cent.

In official circles, however, caution remains the watchword. Given international currency concerns and the marked growth in real incomes and consumer credit, the authorities are erring on the side of prudence in lowering short-term interest rates. The last thing the Government wants is to lower rates too rapidly only to have to raise them prior to an election to protect sterling from hitherto unforeseen external shocks.

As a result, the authorities have been intervening to cap sterling. This should be seen by investors as no more than a temporary and artificial restrain upon the gilt market. It will delay and not postpone the gilt market advance.

Jeffrey Mizrahi

Mr Mizrahi is the chief economist and a director of the international stockbroker Savory Milln

USM REVIEW

£13m Colorgraphic aims to make a good impression

Colorgraphic, Britain's biggest colour printer of advertising material, will be coming to the USM by way of a placing in two weeks' time.

The prospectus will be published on April 27 and dealings are expected to begin on May 4.

The placing, of about a third of the share capital, is being handled by Albert E Sharp, a Birmingham broker, and is expected to capitalize Colorgraphic at about £13 million.

The shares are being placed with institutions and private clients of Albert E Sharp.

As a printer, Colorgraphic specializes in the financial sector and has regularly done work for Laura Ashley, Norwich Union, Pearl, and the Royal Bank of Scotland.

The company, which is based in Leicester with a second plant in Nottingham, has been built up by Mr Ron Welch, the chairman, who owns more than 50 per cent of its equity, and Mr Nick Wincks, chief executive, who previously ran the printing division of Norcros.

Turnover has risen from £10 million in 1982 to £17 million in 1985 and the market is looking for £20 million from 1986. Profits have multiplied similarly. In 1982 it made £354,000, rising to £425,000 in 1985 with expectations of more than £1 million for last year.

Full-year figures unveiled last week by Monotype Corp, the high-tech printing group, may have gone some way to improving the company's City image which has, until now, suffered from its chequered past.

Its results showed pretax profits during 1986 climbing from £2.5 million to an impressive £3.45 million, while turnover rose 16 per cent to £33.3 million.

Monotype has been able to reap maximum benefits from the switch into high-tech printing in Fleet Street and the general print trade. Lasercomp, its laser-based phototypesetting process, has been chosen by a number of national newspaper publishers, including *Today*, *The Guardian* and *The Daily Telegraph*.

Several City analysts are already looking for another impressive performance from the group this year, with estimates pitched at more than £4 million. This will lift earnings per share from 16p to 18p where the prospective p/e is 10.8.

Miss Isobel Unsworth, smaller companies analyst with Phillips & Drew, the company's own broker, was suitably impressed with the figures and says the shares are cheap. "Monotype has further to go is the message," she says.

Monotype joined the USM almost a year ago, but the group, which has supplied printing equipment since 1897, is no newcomer to the stock market.

Back in the 1970s it enjoyed the benefits of a full listing. But its ageing product range and lack of capital eventually forced its back to the wall. Monotype has nevertheless led a charmed existence. After being rescued twice, in 1978 and 1980, it was eventually refinanced in 1983 with the help of City funds after a management buyout.

Floated on the USM at 157p, it has struggled to be accepted, having seen its shares reach a low of 129p. These latest figures have gone some way to improving the group's image in the City. The price closed on Friday at 193p — just 2p below its peak.

Another company which has seen its share price left behind in recent months is Campbell & Armstrong, the shopfitter, which finished on Friday at 133p. But that may be about to change after news of the group's £1.2 million acquisition of Martins, a privately owned company which makes point-of-sale display fixtures.

Mr Geoffrey Douglas, head of the USM team at Hoare Govett, the broker, has taken a shine to the shares and has noted they are again starting to attract support.

After the Martins acquisition, Campbell & Armstrong boasts a well balanced shopfitting business, which includes Zurrer, the shelving systems specialist.

The business remains seasonal but Mr Douglas is looking for earnings per share of 10.2 for the year just ended boosted to 14.5p, helped by a full contribution from Martins.

Campbell & Armstrong generates a lot of cash but has most of its large contracts tied up with just a few clients. This could cause problems before long which would affect profits. But Mr Douglas rightly points out that the prospective p/e of 8.9 does look "excessively cautious."

Bonsai, the little firm that keeps on growing

Not all private companies are in a rush to come to the Unlisted Securities Market. And Bonsai, a privately-owned micro-computer dealership, is happy to remain as it is for the next year or so, even though its turnover has already pipped £12.5 million.

Its managing director is Mr Michael Kraftman, aged 29, who left Cambridge with a first-class honours degree in engineering and went on to do a master's at Harvard Business School, before returning to Britain in 1981 to start Bonsai.

"While I was in America I found myself in the heart of the silicon valley and as part of my course I wrote a business plan on micro-computers and about starting up a business in the UK," Mr Kraftman says. "As soon as I came home I decided to put the plan into practice and it became a reality."

With a loan from Barclays Bank, and premises provided by his father — now the company's non-executive chairman with a 50 per cent stake — the business was born.

In its first year, 1982, it turned over £200,000 and notched up a loss of more than £100,000.

"We had just one outlet in North Oxford Street, London, selling micro-computers, targeting ourselves at small businessmen," says Mr Kraftman. "It was at the time when IBM personal computers were available in the United States but not yet here. A year after we started the business IBM decided to market them here and approached us to be one of their dealers. There was so much pent up demand for the IBM PC that our business really took off."

Turnover at the end of the second year had jumped to £1.1 million and the company made its first profit — of £67,000. In the third year turnover leapfrogged again to £4 million with profits of more than £200,000. This growth rate was maintained and last December turnover reached £10 million and profits £500,000.

The company's growth shows no sign of letting up. "We are growing very strongly at the moment — we plan growth this year of between 50 per cent and 100 per cent in both turnover and profit terms," says Mr Kraftman. "I think we will continue at this rate for some time."

The company is certainly big enough to come to the USM any time it chooses, but Mr Kraftman says he wants to wait another year or 18 months before making the move.

"We don't want to go on to the USM just for the sake of it," he says. "We will wait until it is prudent. We have a target size of £50 million turnover which we want to reach before we go public. We should reach that within two years, but it may be a lot sooner."

Certainly one to watch.

Michael Clark



Michael Kraftman: turned his student's thesis into reality

B Gas hint in Saga switch

By David Young, Energy Correspondent

Saga, the Norwegian oil company which has a stake in the Troll gasfield — the largest gas reservoir in the North Sea — plans to alter its rules of association to allow increased foreign holdings.

There has been speculation in Oslo that Saga has had talks with British Gas with a view to the recently privatized British company taking a minority stake. Both companies have denied such a move.

Saga plans to ask its shareholders on May 14 for permission to approach the Norwegian Government to request that its level of foreign ownership be increased from 20 per cent to 40 per cent.

A British Gas stake in the company would place the British organization in an advantageous position if it decided to negotiate to buy Troll gas to meet demand early next century once supplies from Norwegian fields run out.

A large shareholding in Saga would give British Gas access to much more data on the gas field.

Saga has a stake of just over 4 per cent in the Troll project, which Shell plans to bring into production in the mid 1990s.

RTZ and Goal granted stakes in Dutch oil

The Dutch government has awarded shares in six new offshore oil licences to RTZ Oil and Gas and Goal Petroleum, two of Britain's independent oil companies.

The shares in the six blocks — RTZ has 20 per cent and Goal 10 per cent — have been awarded under the Dutch sixth licensing round.

Goal now has interests in seven offshore blocks in the Dutch sector of the North Sea. The areas which will be explored are in shallow waters where development costs will be much lower than in the British sectors of the North Sea and where initial seismic studies have indicated the possibility of commercially exploitable gas fields.

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Capitalization £	Company	Price last Friday	Change on week	Gross div pence	Div Yld %	P/E
75.2m	Aiksa	148		3.89	2.4	28.9
460.6m	Alliance	974	● -28	35.7	3.9	35.4
118.1m	Amer Trust	144	● -4	3.5	2.5	30.3
351.5m	Ang Amer Sec	468	● -6	10.0	2.2	14.5
138.3m	Atlantic Assets	113	● -1	2.1	2.7	35.7
139.8m	Bankers	78	● -1	2.1	2.7	
87.0m	Berry	574	● -11	33.0	4.8	31.5
264.9m	Br Assets	69	● -1	0.9	2.3	30.9
53.2m	Br Empire Sec	458		16.0	3.5	25.4
343.8m	Br Inv	551	-2	22.5	4.1	25.4
76.1m	Brunner	119		3.5	2.9	30.6
938.5m	Cont & Ind	818	● -5	31.4	3.8	19.1
97.0m	Crescent Japan	144	● +10	0.2	0.1	
19.1m	Derby Inc	192	+1	13.0	6.0	17.8
24.5m	Do Cap	191	-2	1.6	0.8	
156.3m	Drayton Cons	485		15.4	3.3	42.9
37.7m	Drayton Far East	224	● +10	1.7	0.8	
203.9m	Drayton Japan	786	● +9	8.5	1.0	46.3
47.3m	Dundee Lon	282		8.5	3.0	
92.6m	Edin Amer Asset	117	● +2	0.9	0.7	50.3
489.6m	Edinburgh	171	● -6	5.9	3.1	61.7
68.2m	Electric Gen	488	-18	5.5	2.7	57.0
42.1m	English Int	194	-2	2.2	1.9	70.2
98.9m	English Scot	113		3.5	1.7	73.5
217.7m	Ensign	134		1.5	1.7	77.4
65.5m	F & C Alliance	147		1.1	0.8	
141.7m	F & C Pacific	267		2.1	0.8	
12.1m	First Charlotte	16	-1	0.1	0.6	
129.3m	First Scot Amer	408	● -6	17.1	4.2	32.9
98.5m	Fleming American	238	-4	3.1	1.3	39.4
45.2m	Fleming Clover	228	-1	1.8	0.8	45.6
40.9m	Fleming Enterprise	466		12.0	2.6	
244.9m	Fleming Far East	166	+10	3.5	1.9	72.8
33.5m	Fleming Flagship	157	-2	1.2	0.8	80.4
131.1m	Fleming Japan	176		2.2	1.2	94.7
264.4m	Fleming Mercantile	377	● -4	9.4	2.5	30.9
328.4m	Fleming Overseas	328		9.9	3.0	
69.9m	Fleming Tech	69		0.9	0.3	
109.0m	Fleming Universal	167	-1	2.1	1.3	81.5
605.3m	For Co	119		2.4	2.0	98.2
81.4m	GBC Capital	113				
78.9m	GT Japan	366	-16	2.0	0.5	
69.4m	General Cons	372		16.5	5.0	28.0
95.1m	General Funds	291	+11	3.1	1.1	
36.8m	Glasgow Stock	180		2.3	1.3	18.7
175.0m	Globe (ea)	155		4.3	2.8	25.4
125.6m	Govett Atlantic	208	-3	3.3	1.6	46.7
251.5m	Govett Oriental	328	-14	5.4	1.7	77.8
306.2m	Govett Strategy	312		5.4	1.7	77.8
33.9m	Greenfriar	422	-2	2.9	0.7	
17.7m	Gresham House	430	-10	8.4	2.0	48.2
122.7m	Hambros	230		6.4	2.8	50.8
81.0m	India Fund	210				
92.7m	Invest in Success	210	●	8.6	0.8	
207.8m	Inv Cap	168	-7	17.1b	5.1	31.4
41.1m	Ivory & Sime	168	-10	7.0	4.2	33.0
40.3m	Japan Assets	232		0.7	1.0	
57.2m	Kleinwort Charter	159		3.7	3.1	45.8
125.9m	Kleinwort O seas	157	●	3.6	2.5	63.6
18.7m	Kleinwort Smaller	135	● +5	13.1	3.1	44.6
99.1m	Law Debenture	163	+5	10.7	3.5	31.9
130.5m	Lon Merchant Sec	61		3.7	4.5	18.8
65.6m	Lon Trust	71	-½	1.6	1.5	79.9
154.4m	Merchants	225		6.4	4.2	32.7
2,788.8m	Merrill Lynch	1,265		3.7b	1.5	90.6
186.2m	Monks	481	-1	7.5	1.5	44.7
157.0m	Murray Income	197		7.5	4.1	35.2
216.2m	Murray Int	197		2.1b	1.1	
105.4m	Murray Small	222		7.1b	2.9	56.5
50.7m	Murray Venture	224		4.8	2.2	55.5
27.9m	New Court	558		22.5	4.1	57.9
6,901.0m	New Darien Ol	76		4.8b	6.3	21.5
29.7m	Nthrng Inc 83	131		0.1	0.1	
55.1m	New Tokyo	175		4.9	1.3	
72.0m	Nth Atlantic Sec	386				10.4
4,200.0m	Nth Sea Assets	95		7.7	1.8	
142.0m	Nth Amer	426		11	0.8	
17.1m	Pacific Assets	143				
	Do Wrnts	51		0.5	1.0	
7,686.0m	Personal Assets	1,125		13.2	1.2	39.9
131.0m	Raeburn	488		12.9	2.6	39.4
99.8m	River & Merc	168		12.9	4.6	34.4
51.3m	River Plate	298		12.9	3.9	35.4
	Rolinco	2,100				
	Rolinco	2,100				
118.0m	Romney	413		7.1	1.7	
3,125.0m	Rorento	157				
60.4m	St Andrew Inv Tst	176		5.0	2.8	46.9
62.8m	Schroder Global	230		6.1	2.7	50.0
349.6m	Scottish	258	-10	9.4	3.6	33.1
333.4m	Scot American	141		9.1	2.7	30.0
297.7m	Scot Eastern	141	● +2	9.1	3.2	58.1
14.0m	Scot Merc A	64		0.4	1.7	17.0
445.8m	Scot Mtge	618	-10	12.6	2.0	65.7
224.5m	Scot Nat	357		7.6	2.0	62.2
156.4m	Second Alliance	225	-6	27.5	24.4	40.7
172.9m	Secs Tst of Scotind	108	+1	2.8	2.6	33.3
41.0m	Smaller Cos	104		2.0	1.9	73.1
41.1m	Steel Burrell	224	● -15	12.9	5.5	11.8
39.5m	TR Australia	89	+13	3.3b	3.5	39.4
132.0m	TR City Of Lon Dfd	89	-3	3.1b	4.5	32.8
215.0m	TR Ind & Gen	119	-1	2.9b	2.4	51.5
100.3m	TR Natural Res	95	-1	2.5b	2.5	51.8
65.2m	TR North America	258		1.4	0.7	
148.0m	TR Pacific Basin	212	+5	3.2	1.5	67.7
112.7m	TR Property	87		3.9	2.2	58.0
287.2m	TR Tech	133	-1	2.8	2.1	62.7
197.8m	TR Trustees	111		3.1	2.8	49.3
117.3m	Temple Bar	265		8.9	4.3	29.8
214.1m	Throgmorton	385	+5	13.7	3.6	41.4
11.0m	Throg Dual	215				
92.7m	Tribune	181	● -2	4.8	2.7	42.6
15.5m	Trustinvest Inc	85		18.5	21.8	5.6
245.7m	US Debenture	356	● -5	5.3	2.8	47.1
8,576.0m	Value Inc Tst	93		2.6	2.8	
16.8m	Viking Resources	49	-½	2.3	2.9	38.4
78.8m	Westpool	69	-½	2.6b	2.0	73.6
442.3m	Witan	129				

FINANCIAL TRUSTS

Capitalization £	Company	Price last Friday	Change on week	Gross div pence	Div Yld %	P/E
9,855.2m	American Express	644	● -1			
38.0m	Argyle	178	-7	2.9	1.6	53.3
16.1m	Bankers	96	● -1	0.1	0.2	48.4
371.0m	Brwnmnd Arrow	186	● -1	7.1	4.3	14.9
154.9m	Daily Mail	1,020	-1	85.7	8.4	19.1
149.8m	Do 'A'	1,020		5.9	12.4	42.5
275.2m	Electra	178	+4	4.3	2.4	19.6
37.4m	Eng Trust	168		3.5	2.1	22.2
806.0m	Exco	345	+12	13.5	2.3	19.2
17.5m	Exploration	255	● +13	5.3	2.1	23.7
52.5m	Farnbrgton	168		7.5	4.5	18.1
23.7m	Frost Gp	168	● +18	7.5	4.5	18.1
109.4m	GT Management	288	+5	2.5	0.9	45.1
89.5m	Gerrard	177		3.5	2.1	24.5
282.1m	Henderson Admin	212		32.1	1.5	23.9
55.8m	IDH	191	● -2	12.9	6.8	8.4
216.6m	IMI	265	● -15	12.9	5.8	10.5
104.2m	M & G	178	+5	7.5	2.7	20.1
251.9m	Mercantile House	1283	-16	20.6	2.3	6.1
42.8m	Smith New Court	156	-1	10.0	6.4	7.7

MONEY MARKETS AND GOLD

Base Rates %
Clearing Banks 10
Finance House 10½

Discount Market Loans %
Overnight High 9¾ Low 2
Week fixed 9¾

Treasury Bills (Discount %)

Buying	Selling
2 mnth 9⅛	2 mnth 9⅜
3 mnth 9⅛	3 mnth 9⅜

Prime Bank Bills (Discount %)
1 mnth 9⅛-9⅜ 2 mnth 9¼-9⅜
3 mnth 9⅛-9⅜ 6 mnth 9⅛-9⅜

Trade Bills (Discount %)
1 mnth 10⅛ 2 mnth 10⅜
3 mnth 10⅛ 6 mnth 9⅞

Interbank (%)
Overnight open 10 close 1
1 week 9⅛-9¼ 6 mnth 9¼-9⅛
1 mnth 10-9⅛ 9 mnth 9⅞-9⅝
3 mnth 9⅛-9⅛ 12 mnth 9⅛-9⅛

Local Authority Deposits (%)
2 days 9⅛ 7 days 9¼
1 mnth 9¼ 3 mnth 9¼
6 mnth 9¼ 12 mnth 9¼

Local Authority Bonds (%)
1 mnth 10¼-9¾ 2 mnth 10-9¾
3 mnth 9⅝-9⅜ 6 mnth 9⅝-9⅜
9 mnth 9¾-9¾ 12 mnth 9¾-9¾

Sterling CDs (%)
1 mnth 9⅝-9⅜ 3 mnth 9⅝-9¼
6 mnth 9⅝-9⅜ 12 mnth 9¾-9½

Dollar CDs (%)
1 mnth 6 50-6 55 3 mnth 6 80-6 75
6 mnth 6 90-6 85 12 mnth 7 10-7 05

BULLION

Gold:$431 50-432 00
Krugerrand (per coin, ex vat):
$ 436 00-439 00 (£268 00-270 00)
Sovereigns (new, ex vat):
$ 102 50-103 50 (£63.00-63 75)
Platinum
$ 577 50 (£355 50)
Silver
$ 6 8000 6 8200 (£4 1800 4 2000)

TREASURY BILLS

Applcts: £306.3M allotted: £100M
Bids: £97.605% received: 84%
Last week: £97.625% received: 87%
Avge rate: £9.5661% last wk £9.5195%
Next week: £100M replace £100M

ECGD

Fixed Rate Sterling Export Finance Scheme IV Average reference rate for interest period February 28, 1987 to March 31 1987 inclusive: 10.053 per cent.

EURO MONEY DEPOSITS %

Dollar		call	6⅛-5½
7 days	6¹¹⁄₁₆-6⅝	1 mnth	6⁹⁄₁₆-6⁷⁄₁₆
3 mnth	6¹¹⁄₁₆-6⁹⁄₁₆	call	4¾-3¼
Deutschmark		1 mnth	3¹⁵⁄₁₆-3¹³⁄₁₆
7 days	3⅝-3½	3 mnth	3¹⁵⁄₁₆-3¹³⁄₁₆
3 mnth	3¹⁵⁄₁₆-3¹³⁄₁₆	6 mnth	3¹⁵⁄₁₆-3¹³⁄₁₆
French Franc		call	8-7
7 days	8¼-8	1 mnth	8¼-8¼
3 mnth	8¼-8⅛	6 mnth	8⅛-8¼
Swiss Franc		call	1¼-½
7 days	1¼-1	1 mnth	3¹⁵⁄₁₆-3¹³⁄₁₆
3 mnth	3¼-3⅛	6 mnth	3¼-3⅛
Yen		call	4¼-3¼
7 days	4¼-4	1 mnth	4¹³⁄₁₆-3¹⁵⁄₁₆
3 mnth	4¹³⁄₁₆-3¹⁵⁄₁₆	6 mnth	4¹³⁄₁₆-3¹⁵⁄₁₆

OTHER STERLING RATES

Argentina austral	2.4939-2.5052
Australia dollar	2.2649-2.2680
Bahrain dinar	0.6095-0.6135
Brazil cruzado	35.56-37.85
Cyprus pound	0.7680-0.7790
Finland markka	7.1715-7.2115
Greece drachma	215.35-217.35
Hong Kong dollar	12.6696-12.6783
India rupee	20.65-20.85
Kuwait dinar KD	0.4390-0.4430
Malaysia dollar	4.0275-4.0317
Mexico peso	1835.0-1885.0
New Zealand dollar	2.8169-2.8237
Saudi Arabia riyal	6.0635-6.1035
Singapore dollar	3.4680-3.4719
S Africa rand (fin)	4.7438-4.8168
S Africa rand (com)	3.2774-3.2885
U A E dirham	5.9380-5.9780
*Lloyds Bank	

DOLLAR SPOT RATES

Ireland	1.4730-1.4750
Singapore	2.1355-2.1365
Malaysia	2.4800-2.4810
Australia	0.7165-0.7170
Canada	1.3020-1.3025
Sweden	6.3050-6.3150
Norway	6.7900-6.7950
Denmark	6.8150-6.8200
West Germany	1.8100-1.8110
Switzerland	1.5000-1.5015
Netherlands	2.0415-2.0425
France	6.0300-6.0350
Japan	142.45-142.55
Italy	1291.0-1292.0
Belgium(Comm)	37.47-37.52
Hong Kong	7.8015-7.8020
Portugal	139.50-140.50
Spain	127.15-127.25
Austria	12.58-12.70

Rates supplied by Barclays Bank HOFEX and Extel.

THIRD MARKET

Capitalization	Company	Price on Friday	Weekly Change
10.29546m	Abelscot Group	385	+35
4.540119m	Aberdeen Am Petrol	30½	n/c
3.948750m	Allied Insurnce	125	+15
4.807954m	Catalyst Commercial	60	+2
11.87505m	Corton Beach	65½	+11
4.839581m	Edenspring Inv	185	n/c
24.94800m	Eglinton Oil Ireland	44	+11
1.542323m	Do Warrants	27	+7
2.951413m	Publishing Holdings	29	+2
7.251072m	Theme Holdings	50½	-4
4.637250m	Unit Group	114½	n/c

FOREIGN EXCHANGES

STERLING SPOT AND FORWARD RATES

Market rates day's range April 10	Market rates close April 10	1 month	3 months
N York 1.8235-1.8280	1.8270-1.8280	0.47-.044prem	1.29-1.24prem
Montreal 2.1130-2.1205	2.1175-2.1205	0.52-0.42prem	1.40-1.27prem
Amsterdam 3.3175-3.3250	3.3175-3.3219	1⅝-1⅜prem	3¾-3½prem
Brussels 60.77-61.05	60.88-61.00	17-10prem	46-35prem
C'hgen 11.0590-11 1360	11.0799-11.1192	½-⅞dis	1⅝-2dis
Dublin 1 1013-1 1080	1 1025-1.1035	26-27dis	55-58dis
Frankfurt 2.9380-2.9485	2.9384-2.9426	1¼-1⅝prem	4½-4¾prem
Lisbon 227.25-228.35	227.78-228.73	653-150dis	273-395dis
Madrid 205.20-206.80	206.22-206.51	104-120dis	313-338dis
Milan 2094.12-2103.70	2094.12-2098.66	2prem-par	3prem-par
Oslo 11.0025-11.0630	11.0195-11.0589	3¼-4¼dis	11¾-12¾dis
Paris 9.7660-9.8155	9.7922-9.8106	1¾-1¼prem	4⅝-3¾prem
St'khlm 10.2310-10.2980	10.2691-10.2969	¼prem-¼dis	½-1¼dis
Tokyo 231.25-232.25	231.61-232.08	1¼-1prem	3½-3¼prem
Vienna 20.64-20.72	20.67-20.70	10¼-8prem	29¼-26¼prem
Zurich 2.4325-2.4450	2.4325-2.4389	1⅞-1¼prem	3½-3⅜prem

Sterling index compared with 1975 was down at 72.1 (day's range 72.0-72.2).

UNLISTED SECURITIES

Capitalization £	Company	Price last Friday	Change on week	Gross div pence	Div Yld %	P/E
8,688.000	A & M Gp	14½		0.6e	4.1	20.7
11.8m	ASD	186	● +½	12.1	7.3	7.1
5,979.000	ATA Selecson	85	● +5	2.1	2.5	17.2
7,998.000	Aberdeen Sh. Hse	68	+½	4.3	1.6	17.9
	Access Satellite			4.61		
36.5m	Acorn Comp	95	+3			35.7
1,342.000	Acsel Jewellery	146	● +5	8.1	6.0	8.5
8,963.000	Aeroprop	116	+13			12.5
44.0m	Amer Bos Sys	116				
	Do Wrnts	68				
39.5m	Amer Elec	228	● -2	13	4.5	17.9
35.7m	Anglia Secure Hse	411		8.3	2.0	46.2
8,094.000	Antler	136	● +4	4.3	3.1	14.1
12.0m	Appletree	238	+13	4.3	1.9	23.7
49.1m	App Holographics	436				
	Do Wrnts	436				
37.1m	Aran Energy	43	+2	4.3	2.0	21.6
13.6m	Asmesa	210		5.3	1.3	25.5
39.6m	Aspen Comms	415	● +5	5.4	2.1	21.8
82.5m	Aspmat	695	+10	14.3	2.3	17.9
110.5m	Aspey	35				
2,423.000	Assoc Energy	135		7.0	3.6	17.5
15.5m	Atlas Investment	116	● +1	8.9	7.7	20.4
6,617.000	Automagic	78	-1	1.4	1.8	18.2
6,217.000	BBE Design	329	● +4	5.7	6.6	16.2
13.0m	BCK	46½		6.5	2.5	23.7
10.6m	BPF	51		2.5	3.6	11.5
4,424.000	BTS Grp	138	● +7	4.8	3.6	11.6
9,096.000	Beaverco	138		5.7	6.6	16.2
6,666.000	Bedford (William)	33		0.7	2.1	27.7
33.2m	Bennett & Fountain					14.2
5,566.000	Bensons Crisps	146	● +7	2.0	1.4	18.0
6,220.000	Bilson-Ashdenbrs	24				
2,745.000	Bio Isolates	23				
1,921.000	Biomechanics	23				
9,600.000	Bipel	117		3.8	3.6	10.5
5,850.000	Blenchards	268	● +33	6.5	5.8	12.7
14.5m	Blenheim Estab	375		6.5	1.8	20.7
22.3m	Bluebird Toys	375	+1	1.7	2.5	6.5
9,861.000	Border TV	1,350				
67.0m	Borland	140		1.1	5.0	11.5
3,949.000	Brewmaker	132	+2	3.1	2.3	11.1
7,535.000	Bristol	130				
5,139.000	Br Bloodstock	150	● +2	12.6	8.4	7.1
14.7m	Br Car Auc	135	+5	4.0	4.9	14.9
13.3m	Broad St	225	-15	5.0	2.2	23.3

ANALYSIS

All set for gold to break $500

Gold watchers are no longer wondering if gold will reach $500 an ounce. They are merely speculating on when. After Friday's sudden awakening in the gold price, the belief is growing that gold will strike $500 an ounce sooner rather than later, and almost certainly this year. Several have already pencilled in $600 an ounce sometime in 1988.

The gold mining shares, as demonstrated by movements in the FT Gold Mines Index, have quietly, but surely, been on the move since last July. Then the index stood at 185.7. On Friday it had risen to 470.4, for a percentage gain of 153.3. The investor who only moved into gold shares in January this year would still be sporting a 51 per cent profit.

By contrast, the world gold price has followed a more pedestrian course. Last April, the London gold price was around the $340 an ounce level and only started to show its paces in July before reaching a year's high of $440 in October.

On Friday it stood at $431.75 an ounce, to show a year-on-year advance of 27 per cent.

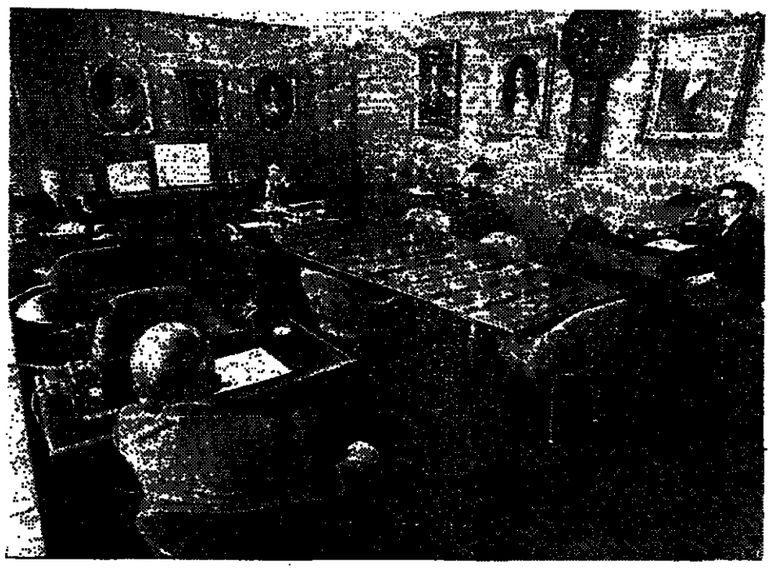
Is there any steam left in gold itself, and in gold shares? Why did the metal take so long to respond to the message so clearly given by the shares?

There have been runs in gold and gold shares before, and few will easily forget the late Seventies when daily advances of $100 and more were common; gold reached $850; and the talk was that $1,000 an ounce was in sight.

Seven years on, analysts are more restrained in their forecasts, and nobody is predicting a tearaway market. However, even though there are a few ifs and buts, the general view is that the shares are sending out a strong message that gold has further to travel.

The key is the dollar, if only because it is the currency in which gold is priced and traded. Gold now see-saws with the dollar, and the dollar-yen exchange rate is of increasing importance in analysts' calculations. Of particular interest is that gold today is acting as a quasi currency.

Trade wars, or even threats of them, are bruising exchange rates in general and the dollar in particular. This in turn fans inflation fears, unsettles equity markets and knocks bond prices.



Morning fix: bullion dealers at NM Rothschild & Sons adjust the price

In times of uncertainty, gold comes into its own, and because equity markets in both large and small countries have had a marvellous run and given investors some very respectable profits which they are unwilling to lose, the time has come to look for alternative investments.

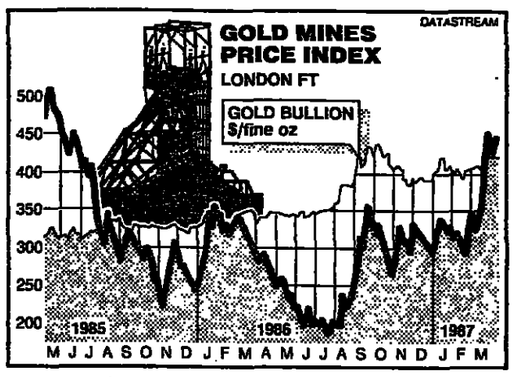
Market-makers on Friday reported "significant investor" interest in gold, the like of which they have not seen in months. And they believe it will last, and grow, while the dollar remains under pressure.

Undoubtedly, there will be American rescue packages talking the dollar up and attempts to restore world confidence in the US currency. But as one observer said: "This time, President Reagan will have to change his script. He will have to become like a severe Scottish banker if anybody is to believe him."

Gold analysts are encouraged that the rush into gold at present is not purely "hot money" looking for an overnight home. Gold shares are being widely followed, with private client interest building up, and are no longer only for specialized funds.

As an investment avenue, they are attracting more and more followers, and the weight of money theory suggests that even a small shift out of traditional equity markets and bonds will have a positive impact on prices.

There will, however, be setbacks in the gold price. Healthy profit-taking is bound to set in, but if the gold market has said goodbye to the $300 an ounce level — which proved a testing area in 1985 — the thinking is that the test line is now $400 an ounce. The downside is thus fairly limited.



There are those who pour cold water on the more bullish forecasts for the gold price, arguing that new mines are coming on stream almost every week in various parts of the world, and that in time there just will not be the demand to absorb all the gold on offer.

However, fundamental industrial demand is holding up reasonably well; there is a growing fascination for gold coins, with more government issues in the pipeline (including a British one this autumn) and investment/speculative demand can only increase if paper currencies and equity markets remain suspect.

Chart fascination also played its part in last week's gold run. Gold has tried twice before, and failed, to break above the $425 level. Midweek, when all the signs were positive but the price failed yet again to break out, boredom set in. Investors switched their attention to silver and speculative demand saw silver at its best levels since May 1985.

But gold was just waiting in the wings and when Friday dawned in London, the overnight word from New York and the Far East was that gold was on the run.

The scene in the gold fixing room at bullion dealer NM Rothschild & Sons on Friday — where the five ring members gather twice a day with their Union Jacks to signify their trading intentions — was no different from usual. It was all over in five minutes. But the message from the chairman of the fix was that gold was at it best level since last October.

Conservative analysts insist gold has to break above $444 an ounce before they will believe it is going to assault $500, but they admit the signs are good and are executing heavy orders from all over the world for gold shares.

The South African market, shunned last year because of politics, is suddenly back in favour. The ability to buy gold shares through the financial rand makes gold issues particularly attractive on yield considerations.

The mines are well established, there is a regular flow of information, virtually all are dividend payers, and despite the political clouds the rewards still outweigh the risks.

Freegold is a favourite ahead of its April 24 dividend, with a price/earnings ratio of a modest 13. Other traditional holdings that should serve the investor well include Randfontein, Kloof, Western Deep and Southvaal.

In Australia, six months ago, the price earning ratios on gold mining shares was about 10. Now it is around 20. But while the Australian dollar remains under pressure, and as the tax threat on gold mining companies has been removed, the market will stay in fashion. It remains an exciting alternative for those who would still not consider South Africa.

Western Mining, North Kalgurli, Metana, Australian Consolidated Minerals and Metana are all worth following.

North American investors have already driven their shares to fancy levels and few now can be regarded as cheap. But Battle Mountain still impresses London, even on a price earnings ratio of 35.

An alternative way into gold is through coins. As 1986 demonstrated, there was keen investor demand for new issues in America, Japan and Australia. The Krugerrand can still be traded, though not imported into Britain or the US, and the Canadian Maple Leaf is still popular around the world.

But whatever the route, there is no need to be shy of gold.

Gold, some say, is only for mugs and millionaires. But if the dollar storm turns into a tempest, there is a greater chance of investors becoming the latter.

Colin Campbell

COMMENT

'Gunboat' trade war will only wound US

Election-bound British politicians may huff and puff about minor investment disputes with Japan. But the real trade flashpoint is the potential breakdown in relations between the economic superpowers — the United States and Japan. If the US does impose $300 million of punitive tariffs against Japanese exports on Friday, as it promised over the weekend, they will not easily be removed. And the consequences of this incident could go far beyond US/Japanese trade.

At least, a real issue beyond bilateral trade balances is involved. Heavy worldwide investment in a key industry of the future has led to temporary overproduction of basic microprocessors and a sharp fall in prices. American producers feared that under free market forces, their Japanese rivals would come out of the slump decisively on top.

In response, the US government has abandoned the free market. The switch is symbolized by the sudden demand for "fair" prices and complaints against "unfair" trade practices. For, as the Reagan Administration would surely insist in domestic policy, the enormous advantages of free enterprise, free markets and free competition, in raising living standards, do not include fairness.

Charges of dumping can always be brought against trade in a cyclically depressed market. On the US definition, "fair value" is full production cost (including overheads) plus 8 per cent profit. Such prices can only be obtained in that situation by law or by an Opec-style cartel to cut output

The US/Japan chip cartel created under the threat of dumping action to fix prices worldwide was clearly against the treaty obligations of Gatt. Discriminatory tariffs to punish Japan for breaches of the pact are likewise in breach of Gatt.

The European Commission vigourously condemned the chip pact. But now officials are mustering illegal measures to stop any Japanese goods diverted by US tariffs coming to Europe, putting further pressure on Japan to honour the illegal pact. This symbolizes the logic of war fever.

Japan is certainly no innocent party. But the anti-Japanese campaign in Europe and the US is not seriously aimed at breaking down barriers to trade, as is conventionally claimed. If that happened, Japan's trade surplus would be even larger than it is today. Producers and governments rather seek a scapegoat for failures at home.

In the past, the efficient and dynamic trading nation was also the leading poltical and military power. Britain had a continuous surplus for a century when the Empire blossomed, followed for 50 years until the seventies by the US. Compensating capital exports further enhanced the top country's influence. Germany, Japan's potential rival, is comfortably subsumed within the European Community, all of whose members can share its economic power. But Japan's economic success is resented by more politically powerful countries, which can resist it.

This process of asserting political over economic power is exemplified in the chip pact and its denouement, which the US Administration glorifies as a signal of the new "get tough" trade policy inaugurated by Trade Representative Clayton Yeutter. It includes provisions for the Japanese government to ensure higher imports of US chips, for instance by setting up a marketing organization to promote imported chips. Mr Yeutter claims it reasonable to expect US chip sales to Japan to rise by $1.5-$2 billion over the five-year pact — no doubt the measure of fair access to Japanese markets.

Moreover, the pact forced the Japanese government to ensure that foreign companies have fully equal access to semiconductor patents resulting from Japanese government-sponsored research. As Japan's Asian neighbours on the Chinese mainland will no doubt notice, this is gunboat trade diplomacy at its Victorian best.

Perhaps the greatest pity is that casting Japan as scapegoat diverts attention from the most urgent priority. That is to emulate the skills of the most successful economy in production, marketing and most recently in the rapid and continuous development of new products. Up and coming countries will certainly judge themselves by Japanese, rather than American or European standards, eventually obliging us to insulate ourselves from the most dynamic part of the world economy.

There are more immediate dangers. Despite the apparent amazement of world economic leaders in Washington, it is hard to see how they can convince currency dealers and investors that they are co-operating to bring financial stability at the very moment when trade war tanks are on the move.

The twin US deficits are principally funded by Japanese private investors, overwhelmingly buying public sector bonds. Should they lose faith in co-operation and hence in the dollar, official intervention would not stop the US currency falling too fast for the trade effects on the US deficit to overcome the currency effects. Growth in Japan and Germany would be further stifled. Higher interest rates to prop up the dollar could be almost as damaging. The US hates to be seen as a paper tiger. It is worse to behave like a wounded lion.

Graham Searjeant
Financial Editor

Cannons aims for stock market debut

By Ray Heath

The City's hard-driving dealers may soon be able to invest in the club where they work off their tensions. Plans are being laid for the launch of the Cannons Sports Club on the stock market, but dealings are unlikely to start before the end of the year.

Cannons was one of the earliest fitness centres to be built in the City, and is now part of the British interests of Mr Jack Chia, a Singapore-based businessman.

These include Cannons Bath, a 35-acre property on the outskirts of the Georgian city which has been fitted out as a sports centre, and Tumble Tots (UK), a children's keep fit club which operates franchises around the country.

Mr Ron Clarke, managing director of the Cannons interests, said last week that Mr Chia was keen to bring them to the market, although it was not yet clear whether a full listing or flotation on the USM would be most appropriate.

However, first they would have to overcome problems of reorganization. These included improving Cannons' profitability and establishing accounting procedures which satisfy the auditors.

In the year to end March, 1985, the last year for which figures have been filed at Companies House, Cannons Sports Club showed a profit of £22,000 on a turnover of £1.167 million. This was a strong turnround from the £25,000 loss the previous year, but accumulated losses were £961,000.

According to the auditor Peat Marwick, £18,000 of the 1985 profits resulted from increasing the useful lives of certain fixtures and fittings, and the accountants could not confirm that this was necessarily justified.

The accounts of Tumble Tots for the same period were also questioned by Peat Marwick, which reported that it could only be considered a going concern on the assumption that Cannons Sports Club would provide financial assistance.

Tumble Tots lost £100,000 in the nine months to March 1985, with distribution costs of £46,000 and administrative expenses of £88,000 towering above the turnover of £60,000.

Mr Clarke said the figures reflected the problems inherited by Mr Chia when he took over Cannons in 1984 and the start up costs of Tumble Tots. Both were now well into profit.

"They are going up in a straight line month by month," he said.

Seelig to take the Stockley test

Roger Seelig, former director of beleagured merchant bank Morgan Grenfell, who was forced to resign over the Guinness affair, comes up for re-election later this month as a non-executive director of Stockley, the property development company. Seelig is one of three directors due for re-election at the company's annual meeting on April 28 and I gather that some shareholders are concerned about his continued association with the group. But Michael Broke, chief executive, says defensively: "We foresee no problems at all — we wouldn't propose him for re-election unless we wanted him. He has been an admirable director of Stockley and has been a close personal friend of Elliot Bernerd, the company's founder, for many years." Seelig continues also to hold on to his directorship at Underwoods despite press reports in January that Brian Kerner, the company's managing director was "not happy with the situation. He was misquoted," a spokesman now says.

Knocked out

Analysts' minds were boggling when ex-boxer George Walker turned up with his arm in a sling at a press conference to explain his and Brent Walker's cash-raising moves. Surely he had hung up his gloves long ago? Had he been tempted back by Sugar Ray Leonard's success? It appears not. He had taken his son's BMX bicycle for a spin in the garden of his Basildon home, his excited bull mastiff had tried to jump on board and the joy ride came to an abrupt end when the bike hit a tree. Result — one broken arm.

Bank Clark

Trade minister Alan Clark has revealed who wears the trousers in his castle, confessing to an empty Commons that it was much better to face an angry bank manager than one's spouse. This, and other outpourings, came during an adjournment debate on overdrafts, with Clark, Nelson-like, hand-in-sling, stoutly defending man's right to the odd little overdraft. Displaying a strong personal sympathy for the principle of being able to extend one's credit without asking the bank first, Clark disclosed how he prolongs his "inadvertently" obtained extensions of credit. "I don't open my bank statements." In this revealing mood, he also expounded his views on banking prudence. A director of Lazards once attributed his bank's success to a policy of lending only to Old Etonians — Clark's old school — but the minister said he favoured a broader approach. "I would lend freely to anyone other than those who had been to Harrow."



"It wouldn't have been so bad but they happen to be Japanese"

● **Japanese trade war or not, the number of foreign cigarettes being smoked by the Japanese has more than doubled in the past year. And the foreign share of the market is set to rise again next week when the Japanese government abolishes customs duty on tobacco. The main British and American beneficiaries are said to be Rothmans, BAT, Philip Morris and Reynolds.**

Kids' stuff

This one's more for puppies than yuppies. Seven to 14-year-olds should look out for a new series of *The Pocket Money Programme* starting on Channel Four on May 3. The programme will help solve the mysteries of the world of finance, gushes the Press release. Tune in, kids, and you too can learn how money works, what inflation is and what happens at the Bank of England. But what is our nation of aspiring teeny-arbitrageurs to make of something called isnurance? Could it be that the high-powered folk at C4 need some spelling lessons before passing on their wisdom to the next generation of wheeler-dealers?

Sail price

It is a sorry state of affairs when a holiday king has no time for holidays. But such is the pressure of work facing Harry Goodman, affable chairman of International Leisure Group, that he has not taken a break for almost a year. "There just isn't the time any more," says Goodman, aged 48. "I haven't been abroad for more than nine months." Consequently he has decided to sell his luxury yacht, *Europa Sun*, on which he has logged many a pleasurable nautical mile round the Caribbean and Med. He denies suggestions that it could be because he needs the money to fund ILG's £150 million management buyout. The buyout will, in fact, only serve to make him richer. It will pay 200p a share and Goodman holds 15.5 per cent (actually 1 per cent of that is down to an ex-wife, but Harry describes it as "friendly"). Some of the Goodman millions will go back into the buyout but the managers as a whole, including him, will hold only about the same as his existing stake.

Carol Leonard

THE TIMES CITY DIARY

New chief for Racal subsidiary

Racal Communications: Dr **Simon Willder** is named as managing director and also joins the Racal Radio board.

Racal Telecommunications Group: Mr **David Williams** is named director-in-charge, Racal-Vodata and Mr **Julian Horn-Smith** becomes marketing director, Racal-Vodafone.

New London Oil: Mr **Paul Kesterton** becomes chief executive.

Cementation International: Mr **Michael Wouldham** joins as production director.

Aiwa (UK): Mr **Barry Willmore** is sales director.

Argyll Group: Mr **Terence Spratt** joins the board.

Mercury Airfreight Holdings: Mr **George Lines** becomes chairman, Mr **Don Rothwell** becomes chairman of Mercury Group's operating companies.

Salomon Brothers International: Mr **Charles McVeigh** becomes chairman and Mr **Miles Salter** becomes president and chief executive officer. Mr **Peter Clarke**, Mr **George Hutchinson**, Mr **Bruce Koepfgen**, Mr **Sheldon Prentice** and Mr **Daniel Tyree** join the board.

City & Commercial Communications: Mr **Gordon Stevenson** and Mr **Tim Brown** are now directors.

Weir Drilling: Mr **Gary Barckitt** is managing director, Mr **Angus Grant** becomes a director.

The Institute of Chartered Accountants of Scotland: Mr **Norman Lessels** has been elected president.

Boxall: Mr **Lars Skagerlind** becomes sales and marketing director from May 2.

APPOINTMENTS



Dr Simon Willder

Stewarts & Lloyds Plastics: Mr **Peter Wright** joins as production director, Mr **Graham Wright** has been promoted to sales and marketing director and Mr **John Denning** becomes technical director.

Brown Shipley Holdings: Mr **ACD Ingleby-Mackenzie** joins the board.

Schroder Investment Management: Mr **Jim Cox** joins as an assistant director in the area of international fund management.

Barclays Bank: Mr **John Kerslake** becomes chief executive for North America from June 1.

International Signal & Control Group: Mr **Ian Ball** joins as managing director of ISC Electronic Systems.

Hickson International: Mr **J Michael Taylor** becomes financial director

The National Home Loans Corporation: Sir **Peter Harrop** becomes a non-executive director.

The BSS Group: Mr **Roger Fuggle** joins the board.

Belasis Hall Technology Park: Mr **George Hunter** becomes chief executive.

Rank Xerox: Mr **Bernard Fournier** and Mr **David Myerscough** join the board.

Taylor Nelson Financial: Mr **Bill Chapman** is chairman.

The United Kingdom Reclamation Council: **Lord Ezra** becomes president.

Wira Technology Group: Mr **Douglas Munro** becomes director and chief executive.

Baker Harris Saunders: Mr **Michael Dix** becomes a director in charge of the financial services division.

Willett International: Mr **Peter Scott** joins as director of finance and management services.

Agfa-Gevaert: Dr **Klaus Gerlach** becomes managing director from July 1 in succession to Mr **Andre Leysen** who will remain chairman of the supervisory boards of Agfa-Gevaert AG and NV.

Countrywide Communications: Mrs **Liz Licence**, Miss **Penny Simpson** and Mr **Peter Brown** join the board.

Redland: Mr **Robert Napier** and Mr **Tim Walker** become managing directors on June 15.

Mobil Oil Company: Mr **J Schilansky** becomes director of plans and programmes, Mr **B Kelly** becomes a director.

Hepworth & Chadwick: Mr **Paul Smith** and Mr **Raymond Ainscoe** become partners.

Commslogic: Mr **Gareth Wokes** and Mr **Hugh Woodsend** join the board.

Rank Hotels: Mr **Anthony Harding** becomes director of development of the hotels and catering division, Mr **John Lintern** becomes sales and marketing controller.

Stanley Leisure Organisation: Mr **George Martin** becomes a non-executive director and **Lord Allen of Abbeydale** will become a non-executive director subject to approval by an extraordinary general meeting.

Benchmark Group: Mr **Ruscombe Westmacott** becomes a director. Mr **Michael Seal** and Mr **David Youngman** join the board.

Compaq Computer: Mr **Peter Bayley** has been promoted to UK marketing director, Mr **Peter Manson** becomes UK sales director.

BASE LENDING RATES

ABN	10.00%
Adam & Company	10.00%
BCCI	10.00%
Citibank Savings†	12.45%
Consolidated Crds	10.00%
Co-operative Bank	10.00%
C. Hoare & Co	10.00%
Hong Kong & Shanghai	10.00%
Lloyds Bank	10.00%
Nat Westminster	10.00%
Royal Bank of Scotland	10.00%
TSB	10.00%
Citibank NA	10.00%

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No.	Company	Group	Gain or loss
1	Bromsgrove Inds	Industrials A-D	
2	Burtonwood Brew	Breweries	
3	Low (Wm)	Foods	
4	Kalon	Industrials E-K	
5	Evercrex Clothes	Drapery,Stores	
6	Mayhorn	Industrials L-R	
7	BOC (aa)	Industrials A-D	
8	FKI Elect	Electricals	
9	Feedex Agric Ind	Industrials E-K	
10	Nolton	Industrials L-R	
11	Barclays (aa)	Banks,Discount	
12	Collins (Wm)	Newspapers,Pub	
13	Fitzwilton	Industrials E-K	
14	Boulton (Wm)	Industrials A-D	
15	AB Food (aa)	Foods	
16	Brooke Tool	Industrials A-D	
17	Breedon&Cloud Hill	Building,Roads	
18	Brierley Inv	Industrials A-D	
19	Superdrug Stores	Drapery,Stores	
20	AB Elect	Electricals	
21	Gestetner	Industrials E-K	
22	Magnolia	Industrials L-R	
23	Stand Chart (aa)	Banks,Discount	
24	Sycamore	Industrials S-Z	
25	Arnold	Industrials L-R	
26	Forward Tech	Electricals	
27	Hickson	Chemicals,Plas	
28	Caparo Ind	Industrials A-D	
29	Third Mile	Industrials S-Z	
30	Highland Elec	Electricals	
31	Young (H)	Industrials S-Z	
32	Marshalls (Halifax)	Building,Roads	
33	Com Stanonery	Industrials A-D	
34	Kwik Save	Foods	
35	Tibbett & Britten	Drapery,Stores	
36	Trent	Building,Roads	
37	Utd Leasing	Electricals	
38	Feb	Building,Roads	
39	Jones Stroud	Electricals	
40	Amec	Building,Roads	
41	Yorkshire TV	Cinemas,TV	
42	Bank of Wales	Banks,Discount	
43	Brake Bros	Foods	
44	Aveson	Industrials A-D	

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Please take into account any minus signs

Weekly Dividend

Please make a note of your daily totals for the weekly dividend of £16,000 in Saturday's newspaper.

MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT	Weekly Total

BRITISH FUNDS

Stock outstanding £	Stock	Price last Friday	Chge on week	Int. only yld%	Gross Red yld%

SHORTS (Under Five Years)

1599m	Treas	10¾	1987	99½	10.9 9.844
938m	Treas	3¾	1987	99⅛	3.0 7.796
1978m	Treas	12¾	1987	101¼●	11.8 9.384
494m	Treas	7¾-¼	1988-90	98⅝	7.8 8.192
1498m	Exch	10¾	1988	101⅛●	10.4 8.277
1153m	Treas	C9¾	1988	100⅝	9.7 9.344
1239m	Trans	3¾	1978-88	95	3.2 7.220
2057m	Treas	9¼	1988	100¼●-¼	9.5 9.213
2338m	Treas	11¾	1989	102⅛	11.1 9.272
2431m	Treas	10¾	1989	102½	10.3 9.330
2431m	Exch	10¾	1989	101¼	9.9 9.365
1245m	Exch	10¾	1989	103¾●	9.8 9.576
2070m	Exch	11¾	1989	103½	10.8 9.342
561m	Treas	9¾	1989-89	93¾●	5.4 9.050
1154m	Treas	C9¾	1989	100¾●	9.5 9.264
461m	Treas	3¾	1989	82¾●	3.2 7.154
1089m	Treas	13¾	1990	108⅝	11.9 9.271
1456m	Exch	11¾	1990	104	10.9 9.330
1350m	Exch	12¼	1990	106	11.6 9.286
488m	Treas	3¾	1990	88¼●	3.4 7.106
587m	Treas	8¾	1987-90	97	8.4 9.048
1998m	Treas	10¾	1990	101¾	9.8 9.315
439m	Exch	3¾	1990	86¾	2.8 9.555
1043m	Treas	C10¾	1991	104⅛	9.8 8.709
2361m	Treas	11¾	1991	107⅛	10.9 9.335
312m	Fund	5¾-¼	1987-91	93	5.2 7.749
1484m	Exch	11¾	1991	106	10.4 9.307
343m	Treas	3¾	1991	85¾	3.5 7.098

FIVE TO FIFTEEN YEARS

1017m	Treas	12¼	1992	113	11.3 9.282
1333m	Treas	10¾	1992	102¼	9.8 9.299
1186m	Treas	C10¾	1992	104⅛●	10.0 9.330
1505m	Exch	12¼	1992	111¼	11.0 9.452
2053m	Exch	13¾	1992	118⅛	11.6 9.481
1333m	Treas	10¾	1993	105¾●	9.7 9.343
1256m	Treas	12¼	1993	114¾	10.9 9.428
548m	Fund	8¾	1993	91	6.8 7.702
1605m	Treas	13¼	1993	123⅝	11.4 9.505
751m	Exch	12¾	1994	125¾	11.5 9.419
1790m	Exch	12¾	1994	115⅛	10.8 9.519
1317m	Exch	13¼	1994	119¾●	11.3 9.553
1384m	Treas	9¾	1995	98¼●	9.1 9.395
2695m	Treas	12¾	1995	113⅛	10.6 9.479
169m	Gas	3¾	1990-95	79¾●	3.8 6.376
2199m	Exch	10¾	1995	104½	9.8 9.381
1158m	Treas	11¾	1995	108¼	10.7 9.461
1132m	Treas	14¾	1996	125¾	11.1 9.551
736m	Treas	9¾	1992-96	98⅛	9.2 9.289
1811m	Treas	15¾	1996	134¾●	11.4 9.498
981m	Exch	13¾	1996	122¾●	10.8 9.440
34m	Pompl	3¾	1996	85½	3.5
732m	Conv	10¾	1996	103½●	9.7 9.426
1852m	Treas	13¾	1997	123½	10.7 9.484
2586m	Exch	10¾	1997	109¾	9.8 9.517
1249m	Treas	8¾	1997	96	9.1 9.333
1345m	Exch	15¾	1997	134⅛●	11.1 9.684
809m	Treas	8¾	1998-98	89½●	8.0 9.816
2604m	Exch	9¾	1998	101	9.4 9.653
1539m	Treas	15¾	1998	139¾	11.1 9.647
2921m	Exch	12¾	1998	116½	10.3 9.543
1114m	Treas	9¾	1999	101¼	9.4 9.256
3451m	Exch	12¼	1999	113⅝	10.3 9.517
1344m	Treas	10¾	1999	107¼	9.8 9.442
1532m	Conv	10¾	1999	106½	9.7 9.433
2089m	Treas	13¾	2000	129¾	10.4 9.537
1579m	Conv	9¾	2000	96	9.2 9.249
892m	Treas	10¾	2001	104¼	9.5 9.331
826m	Conv	9¾	2001	103½	9.5 9.252
1613m	Treas	14¾	1998-01	128	10.8 9.554

OVER FIFTEEN YEARS

751m	Conv	10¾	2002	106 ●	9.5 9.342
1873m	Exch	12¾	1998-02	117	10.3 9.535
1291m	Treas	9¾	2002	103	9.5 9.331
1054m	Treas	10¾	2003	106¼	9.5 9.314
2355m	Treas	13¾	2000-03	130½	10.5 9.575
2199m	Treas	11¾	2001-04	115½	9.9 9.409
549m	Treas	10¾	2000	105½	9.5 9.314
348m	Fund	3½	1999-04	56½	6.2 8.312
1179m	Conv	9¾	2004	101	9.4 9.268
1545m	Conv	9¾	2005	101	9.5 9.260
1160m	Exch	10¾	2005	110½	9.7 9.353
2767m	Treas	12¾	2003-05	125½	9.9 9.376
624m	Treas	8¾	2002-06	89½	9.6 9.172
354m	Conv	9¾	2006	103 ●	9.4 9.253
3762m	Treas	11¾	2003-07	119¾	9.8 9.337
1663m	Treas	13¾	2004-08	134½	10.0 9.356
981m	Treas	9¾	2008	98¾	9.2 9.165
688m	Treas	8¾	2007	89¼	9.4 9.154
852m	Treas	5¾	2008-12	65½	8.4 8.997
603m	Treas	7¾	2012-15	86¼	9.0 9.108
1372m	Exch	12¾	2013-17	127½	9.4 9.212

UNDATED

156m	Consols	4%		43½	9.2
735m	War Ln	3½%		38½	9.1
90m	Conv	3½%		41¾	8.1
18m	Treas	3%		33½	9.3
74m	Consols	2½%		28¼	8.9
127m	Treas	2½%		28½	8.9

INDEX-LINKED

1290m	Treas IL	2½	1986	123	2.1 9.808
569m	Treas IL	2½	1990	113½	2.1 1.416
1270m	Treas IL	2½	1996	127	2.0 3.153
979m	Treas IL	2½	2001	105¾	2.9 3.308
759m	Treas IL	2½	2003	108½	2.9 3.307
1114m	Treas IL	2½	2006	111¼	2.5 3.386
955m	Treas IL	2½	2009	108½	2.9 3.256
1115m	Treas IL	2½	2011	111½	3.0 3.210
837m	Treas IL	2½	2013	93	3.0 3.210
1617m	Treas IL	2½	2016	101	3.0 3.180
1739m	Treas IL	2½	2020	99¼●	3.0 3.155
504m	Treas IL	2½	2024	84¼	2.8 3.110

BANKS DISCOUNT HP

98.0m	Alexs Insh	233	-12	90p	3.9	6.7
116.9m	Amsbacher (Henry)	86	-3	2p	3.4	25.0
631.6m	Aus New Z	248	+16	15.0	6.0	
1 160.2m	Bank America	277	-11	17.0	7.5	
366.0m	Bank Of Ireland	295				
333.3m	Bank Leumi Israel	174				
15.1m	Bank Louis Lim	285		17.7	6.0	13.5
516.3m	Bank Of Scotland	464	-3	20.7	4.5	10.2
17.2m	Bank Of Wales	72	-1	3.4	4.7	11.8
3 429.5m	Barclays (aa)	497	+3	30.0	6.0	9.6
26.6m	Bibighreph	78	-3	2.2	3.1	26.0
88.4m	Brown Shipley	578		13.0	2.4	27.0
77.5m	Cater Allen	389		28.9	7.5	46.0
30.9m	Cathers	67	-2	3.4	5.1	12.3
1 703.6m	Chase Manhattan	2021/4	-1¼	13.0	6.6	
4 733.7m	Chemical	5014	-1¼	20.0	3.9	
1 513.9m	Commerzbank	2393/4	-6	6.0	0.1	
6 493.6m	Deutsche Bank	4321/2	-13½	120.0	5.4	
7 576.0m	Dresy & Gen	1741/2	-1	13	4.6	30.7
335.6m	First Nat Finance	254	-2	21	6.0	10.8
140.6m	Gerrard Nat	369		22.1	6.0	5.4
278.8m	Guinness Peat	191	-4	3.4	3.4	16.0
388.5m	Hambros	280		10.6	4.2	10.1
441.1m	Hill Samuel	478	-3	19.1	5.0	10.6
2 910.0m	HK Shangai	661		12.1	2.7	10.1
14.1m	Joseph (Leopold)	536	+10	18.2	3.4	22.6
28.8m	King & Shaxson	172		12.5	7.3	14.6
413.3m	Klienwort Benson	486	-35	20.0	4.2	9.0
2 529.8m	Lloyds (aa)	472½		35.7	3.4	5.4
21.9m	Lon Scot	67		4.3	4.9	12.7
541.1m	Mercury Int	370		8.6	2.3	
67.4m	Do 6% A	155	-2	8.6	6.4	
1 237.9m	Midland (aa)	377	-10	30.6	6.7	5.6
560.0m	Morgan Grenfell	371	-17	15.0	4.0	9.5
183.3m	Nat Aust Bk	240	+10			
4 183.1m	Nat West (aa)	556	+20	29.3	5.2	5.7
66.0m	Rea Brothers	1130	-5	9.0	3.4	10.2
171.5m	Provident	348	-5	18.6	5.3	12.0
9 020.000	REA Cp	211	-2	29	14	15.6

STOCK EXCHANGE PRICES

Capitalization and week's change

(Current market price multiplied by the number of shares in issue for the stock quoted)
ACCOUNT DAYS: Dealings began April 6. Dealings end April 24. §Contango day April 27. Settlement day May 5.
§Forward bargains are permitted on two previous business days.

Prices are Friday's middle prices. Change, dividend, yield and P/E ratios are calculated on middle prices. (aa) denotes Alpha Stocks

Capitalization £	Company	Price last Friday	Chge on week	Gross div pence	Div Yld %	P/E

BREWERIES

2,564.3m	Allied-Lyons (aa)	370	-20	14.5	3.9	16.9
2,789.3m	Bass (aa)	851	+19	24.3	2.9	15.7
34.5m	Bellhaven	67	-2	1.0	1.5	34.0
124.4m	Boddington	137	●-1	5.3	3.9	14.2
127.9m	Brown (Matthew)	565	+10	20.0b	3.5	18.7
21.0m	Buckleys	139	+3	4.3	3.1	32.2
98.0m	Burmer (H P)	188	-4	7.7	4.1	19.4
36.8m	Burtonwood Brew	708	+7	15.4	2.2	23.8
41.7m	Clark (Matthew)	477	-1	12.1	2.5	15.2
81.1m	Devenish (J A)	334	+18	3.9	1.7	31.0
263.5m	Greenall Whitley	334	+12	7.9	2.4	14.1
139.0m	Gregene King	332	+16	8.4	2.5	19.0
2,562.1m	Guinness (aa)	312	●-7	11.6	3.7	11.8
26.0m	Hardys & Hansons	656		28.7	4.1	14.3
91.3m	Highland Dist	74	-3	3.1	4.2	14.3
39.5m	Invergordon Dist	173	●	7.5	4.3	11.3
122.6m	Irish Dist	196		8.0	3.1	
111.3m	Marston Thompson	128		3.3	2.6	18.3
45.2m	Morland	5588	+15	10.0	1.8	25.7
857.1m	SA Breweries	365	-3			
280.3m	Scot & Newc (aa)	355	+4	10.3	4.8	13.5
221.7m	Vaux	570	+7	17.8	3.1	19.6
1,214.3m	Whitbread 'A' (aa)	307	+2	11.5	3.7	14.2
55.5m	Do 'B'	335		11.5	3.4	15.5
187.3m	Whitbread Inv	297	-1	11.0	3.7	38.1
169.0m	Wolverhmpton & D	398	+2	7.0	2.3	17.4
10.1m	Young 'A'	360	-3	11.4	3.3	24.1

BUILDINGS AND ROADS

	Abbey	263	-2			
37.3m	Aberdeen Constr	226		11.6	5.1	20.9
216.4m	Amec	536	-4	17.1	3.2	21.3
44.4m	Anglo Utd	36		2.2	6.0	15.6
5,750.000	Arnolins	115	+3	2.5	2.2	27.0
167.1m	Ashwoods	292		7.5	2.5	20.1
1,214.5m	BPB Ind (pls)	624	-30	14.2	2.3	19.7
31.0m	Baggeridge Brick	155		2.5	1.6	20.9
2,978.000	Bailey (Ben) Constr	57	-1	0.9	1.6	11.4
282.0m	Barratt Devs	164	●-12	11.9	7.3	17.2
47.0m	Bellway	204	●-7	10.7	5.2	19.9
109.8m	Berkeley Go	353	+13	3.2	0.9	38.9
16.8m	Bett Bros	112		4.6	4.1	30.9
29.5m	Blockleys	217½	●+½	10.9	5.0	20.6
1,001.4m	Blue Circle (aa)	778	+30	33.9	4.3	11.7
17.8m	Breedon&Cloud Hill	293	●+5	18.1	5.5	16.5
23.2m	Br Dredging	135	●+23	5.7	4.2	17.7
10.1m	Brown & Jackson	34	●+½			87.2
161.0m	Bryant	661	●+½	6.1b	3.8	11.1
24.7m	Burmest & Haliam	15½	●+½			1.7
6,458.000	Calebroad Robey	123	●+2	4.7	3.9	20.3
403.8m	Cemmin-Roadstone	156	●-14	4.0	2.6	
15.5m	Chandler Grp	193	●-1	5.3	3.6	22.9
452.0m	Costain	542	+10	25.0	4.6	10.1
52.5m	Countryside	585	●-5	9.1	1.5	15.6
26.8m	Crouch (Derek)	215	-3	8.5	4.0	10.2
20.0m	Douglas (Fin)	139	●	4.9b	3.5	26.5
33.9m	Erith	176	+7	9.1	3.5	15.9
3,014.000	Feb	174	+7	2.5	1.4	28.5
6,025.000	Do 'A'	218	+8	2.5	2.1	19.5
9.1m	Fedorated Hsg	216	●+20	2.7	1.2	15.2
10.0m	Finlan Gp	104	+11	5.4b	5.2	10.4
37.9m	Galliford	125		7.2	5.8	18.4
2,436.000	Gibbs & Dandy Ord	140	●+2	2.9	2.1	24.1
33.3m	Gleeson (M.J)	133	+13	9.4	7.1	10.0
25.0m	Harrison Ind	213	+22	10.0	4.7	15.9
30.7m	Helical Bar	900	+40	2.0	0.2	8.9
49.1m	Henderson	223	-2	10.0	4.5	14.6
88.3m	Hewden-Stuart	90	+1	2.7	3.6	13.6
121.3m	Heywood Williams	312	●-4	11.1	3.6	12.0
103.8m	Higgs & Hill	618	-12	21.4	3.5	13.0
8,370.000	Howard Shut	75		2.1	2.8	30.9
197.2m	Ibstock Johnsen	242	●-13	8.6	3.6	12.5
8,529.000	James (J) & Sons	625	+32	24.3	3.9	
134.5m	Laing (J)	456	●-30	12.1	2.7	10.1
128.5m	Do 'A'	456	●-30	12.1	2.7	10.1
56.1m	Lawrence (Walter)	192	-1	5.7	4.7	9.6
36.2m	Lilley (F.J.)	44	-2	5.5a	12.5	7.7
119.9m	Lovell (Y.J)	215	-4	7.7	3.5	14.9
572.1m	Magnet & South	314	-14	7.7	2.5	37.4
48.4m	Marchers	328	●-11	14.3	4.3	16.0
353.7m	Marley	140	●-9	9.9	4.2	15.9
88.1m	Marshalls (Halifax)	223	+2	7.9	3.5	16.6
181.1m	McAlpine (Alfred)	518	-18	20.7	4.0	11.9
217.4m	McCarthy & S	435	-3	4.8	1.1	19.2
330.4m	Mever Int	336	-5	6.5	2.0	17.9
3,600.000	Miller (Stanley)	60	-1	1.8	3.0	30.0
348.1m	Mowlem (John)	412	-10	20.7	5.0	12.4
91.0m	Newarthill	925	-15	17.9	1.9	20.5
11.4m	Nottingham Brick	388	-14	11.4	3.0	21.7
67.7m	Persimmon	431	●+12	9.0	2.1	15.6
13.3m	Pholonex Timber	130	-13			4.9
4,784.000	Pochin	460	●	20.0	4.3	19.9
751.0m	RMC Gp (aa)	787	●	20.6	2.6	17.5
70.3m	Rame Ind	135	-1	1.2	0.9	47.2
1,143.7m	Redland (aa)	426	-25	17.1	4.0	13.7
85.7m	Ruberoid	455	+40	15.0	3.3	13.0
289.9m	Rugby Cement	210	●	10.0	4.8	11.4
101.3m	Sandall Parkers	237	●	3.7	1.6	21.9
34.5m	Sharps & Fisher	174	-4	4.3	2.5	16.1
11.3m	Sindall (W)	113	-1	4.8	6.0	16.4
1,707.0m	Tarmac (aa)	494		15.5	3.1	13.7
485.3m	Taylor Woodrow	335	-16	12.7	3.8	14.9
57.9m	Tilbury Group	294		9.7	3.3	14.1
102.7m	Travis & Arnold	293	-5	7.4	2.5	13.3
6,731.000	Trent	127	-5	1.5	1.3	88.2
12.4m	Turriff	283	●-5	12.1	4.3	10.0
30.1m	Vibroplant	583	-20	15.8	3.1	17.4
32.4m	Ward Group	148	+3	5.3	3.6	15.9
68.1m	Ward Hidge	528	-5	11.8	2.3	12.2
3,538.000	Warrington (T)	115	-5	7.4	6.4	10.0
49.9m	Watts Blake	248	+2	7.6	3.1	13.0
2,738.000	Watson Bros	163				16.1
23.4m	Wiggins	187	+2●	1.8	1.0	22.3
274.7m	Wilson (Connolly)	313	-3	4.8	1.5	16.7
569.1m	Wimpey (George)	282	-13	5.6	2.0	19.5

CHEMICALS, PLASTICS

1,631.5m	AKZO N/V Bearer	241⅞	-⅛	400	8.7	
330.9m	Allied Colloids	362	-1	4.0	1.5	27.5
263.6m	Amershem	526	-10	10.5	2.0	27.3
12.5m	Anchor Chemical	310		6.1	2.0	16.2
104.1m	BTP	178	-5	7.9b	4.4	21.5
5,838.4m	Bayer DM50	2105		700	8.7	
51.2m	Blagden	175	+5	10.3	5.9	17.6
87.6m	Brent Chems	166	●-4	6.6b	4.0	16.0
36.3m	Br Benzol	90	-5	5.4	6.0	16.7
32.5m	Bromsgrng (W)	193		5.7	3.0	20.2
326.0m	Coates	333	-10	11.1	3.3	12.5
44.1m	Coates Bros	258	-10	8.1	3.1	13.3
80.9m	Do 'A'	258	-10	8.1	3.1	11.2
4,875.000	Cory (Horace)	267		11.1	3.8	6.9
242.8m	Croda	218	+1	11.4	5.4	13.9
19.6m	Do Dfd	188	●-4			12.5
66.6m	Ellis & Everard	295		9.8	3.1	21.7
56.8m	Evode	190	-5	7.5	3.9	25.5
206.6m	Fosseco-Minsep	251	-2	12.8	5.1	10.2
30.4m	Halstead (James)	213	●-7	7.9	3.7	12.5
126.0m	Hickson	838	●-2	25.0	3.0	13.3
4,674.7m	Hoechst DM50	1102				
54.4m	Holt Lloyd	120	-5	6.2	5.2	17.3
8,489.4m	Imp Chem Ind (aa)	1121/4	●	51.4	4.0	13.5
65.2m	Laporte	486	-9	12.6	2.6	18.9
21.5m	Lennig	126		9.5	4.4	18.4
1,452.7m	Norsk Hydro	216½	+½	9.3		
70.9m	Prysu	196	-3	2.7	1.4	24.9
11.8m	Rearcross Hdgs	158	-2	6.1	3.8	19.1
312.2m	Rentokil	182	●-4	4.0	2.2	27.5
29.5m	SHEA BPD	219	●-1			29.1
10.6m	Sutcliffe Speakman	83	-7			25.3
21.2m	Wolstenholme Rnk	342	●-6	12.6	3.6	12.8
32.6m	Yorkshire Chem	235	●+7	7.1	3.0	14.6

CINEMAS AND TV

82.9m	Anglia TV 'A'	484	●-8	15.1	3.3	13.3
154.4m	Central TV	905	●-3	24.3	2.7	10.1
13.3m	Grampian	103	-12	2.9	2.8	14.6
84.6m	HTV N/V	317	●-6	13.7	4.3	13.7
147.4m	LWT Hldgs	953	●-4	36.2b	3.8	14.5
58.4m	Scot TV	547	-16	21.4	3.9	10.9
16.2m	TSW	73	+2	3.2	4.3	14.9
133.2m	TVS N/V	398	+1	11.5	2.9	15.2
223.9m	Thames TV	477	+13	15.0	3.1	27.4
110.9m	TV-AM	338	-10	6.4	1.9	21.7
11.7m	Ulster TV	120	-22	4.0	3.3	12.5
108.4m	Yorkshire TV	328	+1	8.9	2.7	17.8

DRAPERY AND STORES

53.3m	Allerton	272	-2	5.7	2.1	17.7
4,938.000	Amber Day	92	+7½			36.8
19.3m	Aquascutum 'A'	92	●+1	3.6	4.9	14.8
329.5m	Bentley (Lwrd)	165	-1	4.3	2.6	14.2
53.5m	Beattie (James) 'A'	118	+4	3.6	3.2	16.7
60.0m	Berrells	145	-3	3.3	2.3	29.9
31.1m	Blacks Leis	72	-½			
164.4m	Body Shop	622	5 +52	2.1	0.3	68.3
5,955.000	Bremner	86		4.3	5.5	49.3
133.7m	Brown (N)	510	+5	9.6	1.7	35.4
1,562.1m	Burton Gp (aa)	282	-5	3.7	1.3	17.2
9,696.000	Cameron 'A'	167	●-1		3.6	22.1
16.6m	Casket (S)	125	●-2		3.4	27.4
47.6m	Church	458	●+15		13.6	30.1
1,498.5m	Coats Viyella (aa)	251	-15	11.1	3.1	12.8
264.7m	Combined English	361	●+15	12.9	4.9	12.3
32.2m	Courts (Furn) 'A'	178	●		6.7	3.8
34.4m	DANS Simpson 'A'	646		10.0	1.6	17.5
63.0m	Dawsons (U)	95	+1	4.1	4.3	12.2
1,343.6m	Dixons Grp (aa)	361	●-1	5.7b	1.6	25.7
258.3m	Dunhill	815	-7	8.6	1.1	28.7
25.5m	Ellis & Goldstein	88	-7	3.6	4.0	11.0
6,780.000	Elys (Wimbledon)	580	●-20	15.0	2.7	20.8
81.8m	Empire Stores	212	-2	6.8	3.2	27.5
120.8m	Esam	2321/2	-½	6.3	2.7	16.5
3,578.000	Executive Clothes	168	-3	3.5	2.1	11.8
179.4m	Fine Art Dev	240	-14	6.1	2.5	28.2
54.9m	Fogarty Grp	98	+18			
7,482.000	Formanslet	223		9.6	4.3	9.3
321.8m	Freemans	426	+12	11.7	2.7	15.1
23.9m	Gent SR	72	●-2	5.1	7.1	43.4
244.0m	Goldberg (A)	141	+9	5.9	4.2	17.5
40.9m	Goldsmiths Gp	170		11.4	6.7	20.0
100.6m	GUS	2161/2	+½	31.4b	1.7	25.9
2,887.4m	Do 'A' (aa)	2111/2		31.4	2.7	16.5
474.8m	Harris Queensway	282	-8	7.6	3.8	17.1
12.3m	Hattme Of London	39½	-½	2.3	6.5	11.8
13.5m	Holles	43		2.3	5.3	11.4
13.0m	House Of Larose	230	●+20	13.4	5.8	10.2
12.3m	Jones (Emest)	122	+18		5.6	4.6
6,626.000	Ladies Pride	78	●	2.2	11	14
60.6m	Lee Cooper	165	-12	6.3	3.8	17.6
33.7m	Liberty	665		11.1	1.7	13.6
5,543.0m	Mamis Spencer (aa)	328		5.8	2.8	24.9
205.5m	Menzies (John)	370	+2	6.0	1.6

HORIZONS

A guide to career choice

Green pastures off the manic City beat

Young capitalists need not feel they have missed if they fail to get a job in the City, says Edward Fennell

The City of London may have lost its reputation for probity over the past few weeks but it has not necessarily lost its appeal as a place to make a career.

The expected contraction in staff after Big Bang, accompanied by a re-establishment of professional ethics, should be enough to calm an industry which has clearly been in a state of frenzy.

Although the City might revert to favouring people with "safe hands" rather than risk-takers, the demand for bright talent will be stronger than ever. Certainly the image projected to sixth-formers and undergraduates is that careers in financial services lead to the richest, greenest, and lushest pastures. Consequently, they might ask, why bother looking elsewhere when finance seems to offer so much?

The fact is, of course, that not everyone can be "something in the City" and neither can finance be left entirely to the financiers. To survive in the sharkpool of big business, management in industry needs to be as astute at running its financial affairs as it does in making and marketing its product.

As it happens this is also a message that the Institute of Chartered Accountants, in England and Wales in particular, is anxious to broadcast. Over the past year it has been arguing forcefully that financial literacy is a skill which must not be neglected at either a professional or personal level by anyone who intends to make a success of their career.

"Both at work and in their private lives most people are finding that they need a better understanding of moneymatters", says Anne Marie Sharman of the ICAEW. "The number of new, small businesses being set up and the greater need for financial awareness among managers and professionals, means that you are likely to be in difficulties if you don't understand the basic facts about business."

As part of its campaign to spread better business awareness, the ICAEW has recently launched a video-tape *All Business Matters* and a booklet *The Economics of Business*, aimed at schools. The intention is that it should help start the process of improving young people's grasp of the financial world which, sooner or later, will shape their lives.

"Accountants have the job of communicating a variety of financial information", said Ms Sharman, "but they will do that more effectively if their clients and colleagues are able to understand the language of business. We don't all need to be financial experts but, whatever your job, it helps if you are able to understand a balance sheet".

Already this message has been accepted by an increasing number of engineering and applied science degree courses. At least some of our academic technologists have recognized that one of Britain's industrial failings has been its neglect of financial detail. As a result, a new breed of graduate engineer is being educated who can design a business plan as well as a production process. Thus equipped they will then be in a position to discuss with their accountants the funding of their projects in a knowledgeable way – and that must be an improvement on the kind of mutual incomprehension which affects many technical and financial departments.

Of course, accountants themselves are often accused of having little grasp of the technicalities of the enterprises in which they work and clearly the next step must be to develop technological literacy among those who train as accountants.

Tough competition for best graduates from insurance and banking houses

As matters stand, for example, three-quarters of the graduate recruits training to become chartered accountants come from arts, social science, law or accounting backgrounds, with the result that the pool of people who can work with manufacturing "high tech" industry in an informed way is quite small.

Accountancy has become one of the most important sources of employment for well-qualified young people. Whereas graduates used to opt for teaching or the civil service or even town planning as an appropriate "graduate career", accountancy has now become the fashionable destination for those who want to put their degrees to good use.

The Institute of Chartered Accountants, in particular, has the reputation for being the premier professional body and most top accountants tend to be products of the ICAEW system. So whether your aim is to work for one of the glamour partnerships such as Arthur Andersen, Peat's, or Price Waterhouse or to go off instead, and run the financial affairs of major corporations, a "training contract" with a firm of chartered accountants is the place to begin.

A number of students, it must be admitted, never reach the end of the qualifications tunnel. They remain part-qualified, secure in their jobs but never quite gaining the status or rewards that



the letters ACA – Associate of the Institute of Chartered Accountants – will bring. Yet that seems not to deter the thousands who each year start on the trail towards the high standards set by the examiners of the Institute of Chartered Accountants.

As many as one in 10 of new graduates coming on to the job market now enter the profession and find themselves immediately plunged into strenuous intellectual activity.

Yet despite the current popularity of accountancy, the Institute of Chartered Accountants is becoming a little concerned about future recruitment trends. As Madeleine Ross, the Institute's student counsellor comments: "In the long-term, demand for graduates is going to grow across all fields of employment. Because accountancy is a big consumer of graduates it is going to face tough competition from the banks, insurance companies, and other financial institutions. All of us are looking for the best graduates in each year's crop and clearly that is a very limited number".

The key card that the institute will play is the flexibility of what it can offer. It may be a little surprising, for example, but membership of the Institute is divided equally between those who have continued in public practice and those who have branched into industry and commerce. The latest figures, for January 1987, show 34,000 working in practice and 33,000 outside employed in engineering, commerce, chemicals, and a wide range of other industries.

"It's become the equivalent of gaining a Master of Business Administration in the United States", said Anne Marie Sharman. "Many young people now see that qualifying as a chartered accountant is a very useful basic foundation".

What might also be increasingly important after the dispute in the City is that chartered accountants are imbued with their professional ethics. Whereas the fast-buck mentality has tended to be prevalent over the past few years chartered accountants can reasonably claim to work according to a code of conduct which strengthens the individual's respect for the law. Perhaps from now on ACA after someone's name will say something about their morality as well as their competence to do the job.

● A second article on accountancy will appear on Thursday

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Further details and forms of application for the above posts are available from The Staff Officer, Trent Polytechnic, Burton Street, Nottingham NG1 4BU. Closing date 27.4.87. Please quote post reference number of the post for which you wish to apply.

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Application forms and particulars may be obtained from:

The Chairman of Governors c/o The Registrar The Hall Repton Derby De6 6FH

Completed application forms should reach him by 8th May 1987.

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Apply with full C.V. and names, addresses and telephone numbers of two referees to the Headmaster.

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I.A.P.S. School of 200 boys

Wanted for September a Form teacher for 5 to 6 year olds. An enthusiastic, primary trained person required to teach all subjects. Salary-related salary scale. Single accommodation available if required.

Apply by letter with c.v. and names and addresses of 2 referees to the Headmaster, West House School, 24 St James's Road, Edgbaston, Birmingham B15 2NX.

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(Est. D.G., Sixth Form 190)

Required in September 1987 a full-time teacher of **ECONOMICS** to join a thriving department operating at all levels of the school. A Scale 2 post may be available for an experienced applicant. For further details write to the Headmaster, St. Albans School, Abbey Gateway, St. Albans, Herts. AL3 4HB.

UNIVERSITY APPOINTMENTS

UNIVERSITY OF READING

RESEARCH STUDENTSHIP IN FRENCH STUDIES

Applications are invited from candidates holding a good first degree qualification or expecting to complete a first degree course by July 1987 for this Studentship, tenable for three years from October 1987, for the preparation of a higher degree by thesis of the University of Reading. The Studentship has been allocated to the Department of French Studies in recognition of its UGC research rating of 'Outstanding'. There is no restriction as to field of research interest within French Studies. The value of the Studentship is £2,859 per annum, together with payment of the Composition Fee (at the rate for home students) for the course.

Application forms, together with further particulars, may be obtained from Mrs J.A. Crum Ewing, Assistant Registrar, Room 218, Whiteknights House, P.O. Box 217, The University of Reading, Reading RG6 2AH, to whom completed applications should be returned by 15 May.

University of Bradford

Applications are invited for the full-time post of Senior Medical Officer in the Student Health Service which provides a comprehensive medical service for students of the University and of the neighbouring campus of Bradford and Ilkley Community College, and an accident, emergency and consultative service for staff. The Service additionally employs two part-time Medical Officers. An interest in psychological medicine and student problems would be an advantage. The NHS list is about 4,500 and some 1,000 temporary residents are treated each year. The post falls vacant on 30 September 1987 on the retirement of the present incumbent but an appointment from 1 September is desirable. Salary negotiable within professional range.

Further particulars from the Deputy Secretary, University of Bradford, West Yorkshire, BD7 1DP. An equal opportunity employer. Closing date 30 April 1987.

MONASH UNIVERSITY

MELBOURNE - AUSTRALIA

DEPARTMENT OF ELECTRICAL ENGINEERING

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Enquiries to Professor R.A. Jarvis phone (03) 565 3470. Applications including Ref. no. 25612, curriculum vitae and 3 referees to the Registrar, Monash University, Clayton, Vic. 3165, Australia by 16/5/87.

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EASTER DEADLINES

Advertisements for the following publications:

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Applications with full curriculum vitae and name of two referees should be sent to the Headmaster at the school.

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HOWELL'S SCHOOL Llandaff

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New Government salary scale and Government superannuation.

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This is a second advertisement.

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Apply in writing to the Headmaster with curriculum vitae and names and telephone numbers of two referees.

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The Headmaster; Heath Mount School, Watton-at-Stone, Hertfordshire SG14 3NG

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Letters of application mentioning other practical administrative strengths, together with cv and the names, addresses and telephone numbers of three referees to the Headmaster, The Purcell School, from whom further details may be obtained.

THE PURCELL SCHOOL, Mount Park Road, Harrow on the Hill, Middlesex HA1 3JS

EDUCATIONAL

UNIVERSITY APPOINTMENTS

KINGDOM OF SAUDI ARABIA

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Teaching Posts at University Level in Girls Colleges in Saudi Arabia

Applications are invited from women candidates holding Ph.D. from credited universities in the areas specified below to occupy teaching posts in Girls Colleges Saudi Arabia as from the beginning of the Academic year 1987–1988.

The specifications required are:-

* **English (Literature–Linguistics)**
* **Teaching English as a foreign language**
* **Geography * Physics * Chemistry * Botany**
* **Mathematics * Zoology * Library Science**

Candidates should be holders of Ph.D in the area of specialization, should be native Arabic speakers or fluent in Arabic and with sufficient University level teaching experience.

Application forms can be obtained by writing to the following address, stating clearly the college and department to which application is being made:-

The Educational Attache, Saudi Arabian Educational Office, 29 Belgrave Square, London SW1X 8QB. Quoting Ref No. 265.

Interested candidates should send full Curriculum Vitae together with photocopies of qualification certificates, names and addresses of 3 Professional referees, and photograph to the above address too.

With copy of Curriculum Vitae to:

The Vice President for Girls Colleges, Riyadh, Postal Code 11113, KINGDOM OF SAUDI ARABIA.

UNIVERSITY OF BIRMINGHAM
FACULTY OF EDUCATION

CHAIR OF EDUCATION AND HEADSHIP OF THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATIONAL PSYCHOLOGY AND OF SPECIAL EDUCATION

Applications are invited for a Chair of Education and the Headship of the Department of Educational Psychology and of Special Education, which will be vacant from 1 October 1987.

The appointment arises from the amalgamation of the present Departments of Educational Psychology and Special Education. The post requires an established reputation in an area of Educational Psychology and/or Special Education, and some understanding of the whole range of the Department's work. School teaching experience and/or substantial practical experience in Educational Psychology or an aspect of Special Education would be of considerable advantage.

Salary in the professorial range, plus superannuation. Further particulars from the Vice-Chancellor, University of Birmingham, PO Box 363, Birmingham B15 2TT, to whom applications (15 copies; 1 from overseas candidates) should be sent by 22 May 1987.

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UNIVERSITY OF SOUTHAMPTON
DEPARTMENT OF PHYSIOLOGY AND PHARMACOLOGY
THE WESSEX AREA NEUROSCIENCE GROUP

LECTURER IN MOLECULAR NEUROSCIENCES

Applications are invited for a lectureship (3 years in the first instance) which has been established in the Department of Physiology and Pharmacology (School of Biochemical and Physiological Sciences) as part of the formation of the Wessex Area Neuroscience Group in Southampton. The successful candidate will have research experience in molecular techniques and an appropriate Honours degree. He/she will be based in the Department of Physiology and Pharmacology in association with Professor Saunders' research group which is mainly working on glycoproteins in the developing nervous system and the properties and regulation of the internal environment of the developing brain. The appointee would be expected to develop his/her own independent lines of research within these fields and would be likely to collaborate with other members of the Wessex Area Neurosciences Group, particularly in clinical departments. There will also be involvement in the department's teaching to medical students in the integrated systems course and to science students in the School's unit course system.

The appointment will be made on the lecturer's range - £8,735 - £18,210

Further particulars can be obtained from Mr. A.J. Small, Staffing Department, University of Southampton, Highfield, Southampton, SO9 5NH, to whom applications should be made (7 copies for applications in the UK and one from others) giving a brief c.v. and names, addresses and telephone numbers of 3 referees before 30th April 1987. Please quote Reference No. AJS/146/T1.

UNIVERSITY OF NOTTINGHAM
THREE YEAR TEMPORARY LECTURESHIP IN

INSURANCE STUDIES

Applications are invited for the post of temporary Lecturer with special reference to Insurance, tenable initially for a period of three years. The successful candidate will assist in the teaching of the Diploma in Insurance Studies and Insurance Management, but may also be asked to provide an input into the undergraduate and new MBA degree courses. The Diploma is a one-year full-time course for managers working in the insurance industry and is taught jointly with the City University Business School; it has been successful for the last three years in attracting students from all over the world.

Preference will be given to applicants, who either have a good honours degree in economics, business administration, finance, or related subject, or equivalent professional in the area of insurance (for example, Fellows of the Chartered Insurance Institute).

The appointment is effective form 1st August 1987. Salary will be within the range £8,735 - £18,210.

Further details and forms of application, returnable not later than 30 April 1987, from the Staff Appointments Officer, University of Nottingham, University Park, Nottingham NG7 2RD. Ref No. 1101.

UNIVERSITY OF WARWICK
AN EQUAL OPPORTUNITIES EMPLOYER
Department of Engineering

LECTURER IN STRUCTURAL MECHANICS

This is a new post, intended to strengthen and extend current research in structural mechanics, and teaching of the subject to groups containing both Civil and Mechanical Engineering students. Candidates should have good research or design experience of at least one of:

Stress Analysis, including nonlinearity
Fractual Mechanics
Finite Element or other numerical methods

An active contribution to research in the Department is expected, preferably within an area of present strength. These areas include fatigue and vibration, buckling in steel structures, numerical methods, and precision engineering, the latter within the Centre for Microengineering and Metrology.

Initial salary at an appropiate point on the Lecturer A scale: £8735 - £13675 p.a. (subject to confirmation).

Further details and application forms are available from the Registrar, University of Warwick, Coventry CV4 7AL (0203 523627) quoting Ref. No. 37/3A/86/J (please mark clearly on envelope).

Closing date 8th May 1987.

UNIVERSITY COLLEGE OF NORTH WALES
DEPARTMENT OF PSYCHOLOGY

TWO LECTURESHIPS

As part of the current expansion of this Department, applications are invited for two Lectureships in Psychology.

Candidates for the first post should have a research background in Psycholinguistics at all levels in the Department. The successful candidate will be encouraged to collaborate in research which address developmental interactions between language, cognition and learning.

Applicants for the second post should have research and teaching experience in the areas of Behaviour Analysis and Human Development.

Salary for both posts will on the University Lecturers' Scale Grade A (£8,735 - £13,675 p.a.)

Applicants (two copies) giving full details of age, qualifications and experience, together with the names and addresses of three refereses should be sent by Friday, 15th May, 1987, to Mrs M.E. Macdonald, Assistant Registrar, University College of North Wales, Bangor Gwynedd, LL57 2DG, from whom further particulars may be obtained.

UNIVERSITY OF WARWICK
AN EQUAL OPPORTUNITIES EMPLOYER

LECTURESHIP IN OPERATIONAL RESEARCH & SYSTEMS

The continued expansion of the School of Industrial and Business Studies has led to an additional lectureship in the Operational Research and Systems Group. The group teaches on undergraduate degrees in Management Sciences, and in Accounting and Financial Analysis, as well as on the full and part-time MBA programmes. Its specialist teaching is to masters students on the MSc Management Science and Operational Research and on the part-time MSc Business Management Systems.

The successful candidate will contribute to the teaching of quantitative methods to business students and to the specialist teaching of operational research and systems. Applicants should demonstrate an aptitude for research.

The salary will be at an appropriate point on the lecturer scale Grade A: £8,185 - £13,765 p.a. or Grade B £14,245 - £18,210 p.a., subject to confirmation.

Further particulars and application forms from the Registrar, University of Warwick, Coventry CV4 7AL (0203 523627) quoting Ref. No. 35/2A/86/J (please mark clearly on envelope). Closing date 8th May 1987.

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UNIVERSITY OF NOTTINGHAM

SPICER AND PEGLER READERSHIP IN CORPORATE FINANCE AND ACCOUNTANCY

Applications are invited from professionally qualified persons for a newly endowed Readership within the Department of Industrial Economics, Accountancy and Insurance which is part of a major development of accountancy in the University.

Applications will be welcome from those with a teaching and research interest in any area of corporate finance and accountancy and a willingness to participate in the new MBA programme within the University.

Salary will be within the range £18,490 - £21,605.

Further details and application forms, returnable not later than 11 May 1987, *from the Staff Appointments Officer, University of Nottingham, Nottingham NG7 2RD. Ref No 1099.*

QUEEN MARY COLLEGE (University of London)
Department of Computer Science and Statistics

LECTURER HARDWARE/SYSTEMS ARCHITECTURE

The department currently has a vacancy for a lecturer in the hardware and systems architecture area. The successful applicant would be expected to contribute to research in computer architecture, possibly related to innovation at the VLSI level. The department has existing hardware-related research in advanced graphics design. In 1987-88 the department's infrastructure and support facilities for hardware research will be expanded as part of a plan to establish several "well-found laboratories" for computer science research. The successful applicant will have an opportunity to participate in the planning of this expansion.

The department offers undergraduate or MSc-level course units in computer architecture, logic design and digital systems, VLSI, computer graphics, distributed systems and advanced micro-processor based systems and the successful applicant will be expected to contribute in one or more of these areas.

Applicants should have a computer science or an electronic engineering background with an awareness of the issues and requirements of high-level system design.

Salary will be on lecturer scale A range £8,375 to £13,675 or scale B £14,245 to £18,210 plus £1,393 London Allowance. Further details and application forms are available from Queen Mary College, Mile End Road, London E1 4NS. Please quote ref no. 67/35. Closing date 30th April 1987.

UNIVERSITY OF WARWICK
AN EQUAL OPPORTUNITIES EMPLOYER
Department of Engineering

TEMPORARY LECTURER IN PRECISION ENGINEERING

Succes in attracting funds to the Centre for Microengineering and Metrology allows the creation of a lectureship, initially for three years, to further research activities in fine mechanics and to contribute generally to teaching in the area of mechanical systems. Applications are invited from suitably qualified candidates having experience in one or more of:

Design and Control of Precision Mechanisms
Precision Metrology
Computer-aided Metrology
Applications of new materials

Initial salary up to £10,440 on the Lecturer A scale: £8,735 - £13,675 p.a. (subject to confirmation).

Further details and application forms are available from the Registrar, University of Warwick, Coventry CV4 7AL (0203 523627) quoting Ref. No. 37/2A/86/J (please mark clearly on envelope). Closing date 8th May.

University of Exeter

DEPARTMENT OF PSYCHOLOGY

Applications are invited for a Temporary Lecturer in Clinical Psychology commencing September 1987 for three years in the first instance.

This newly established post arises from an expansion of the University of Exeter/Exeter and Torbay Health Authorities MSc course in Clinical Psychology. The successful applicant's main teaching responsibilities will be in connection with this course. (Two clinical tutor posts for the course are also being advertised.)

The post also carries clinical responsibilities and the University has agreed to make up to forty per cent of the person's time available to Exeter Health Authority on an honorary appointment basis.

Salary will be on the scale £8735 - £18210 p.a. with placement dependent on age and experience.

Further particulars may be obtained from the **Personnel Office, University of Exeter, Exeter EX4 4QJ**, to whom applications (6 copies: candidates resident overseas one copy) giving the names of 3 referees, should be sent by 5 May 1987, quoting reference no. 3511.

UNIVERSITY OF WARWICK
AN EQUAL OPPORTUNITIES EMPLOYER

LECTURESHIP IN LAW

Applications are invited for a post of Lecturer in the School of Law tenable from 1st October 1987. The School would welcome applications from those interested in helping in the development of existing or new specialised areas.

Initial salary will be up to £13,080 per annum of the restructured Lecturer scale (Lecturer A: £8,735 - £13,675. Lecturer B: £14,245 - £18,210 p.a.)

Further particulars and application forms from the **Registrar, University of Warwick, Coventry CV4 7AL (0203 523627)** quoting Ref. No. 37/4A/86/J (please mark clearly on envelope). Closing date for receipt of applications 12th May 1987.

THE UNIVERSITY OF SUSSEX

READERSHIP/ LECTURESHIPS IN ELECTRONIC AND COMPUTER ENGINEERING

Applications are invited from men and women graduates in Electrical and Electronic Engineering, or Physics, for Reader/Senior Lecturer and Lecturer posts in Electronic, Electrical, Control and Computer Engineering in the School of Engineering and Applied Sciences. Candidates should have interests in one or more of: electronic circuit design, signal processing, communications, digital systems design, VLSI design, control theory, real-time control, software engineering, computer architecture, computer graphics, computer communications and networks, power electronics and electrical machines.

Salaries on the scales: Reader/Senior Lecturer £18,490 - £21,605 rising on 1.3.88 to £20,270 - £22,910. Lecturer £8,735 - £13,675 or £14,245 - £18,210 rising on 1.3.88 to £9,260 - £14,500 or £15,105 - £19,310.

Further particulars and application form are available from Claire Scampton, Personnel Office, Sussex House, University of Sussex, Falmer, BRIGHTON, Sussex BN1 9RH. Telephone Brighton (0273) 678202.

Closing date for applications Monday 18th May 1987.

UNIVERSITY OF ST. ANDREWS

Department of Moral Philosophy

Applications are invited for a lectureship in Moral Philosophy tenable from September/October 1987. Applications would be welcome from anyone qualified in any of the following areas: Ethics, Politics, Legal Philosophy, The Philosophy of Religion, Aesthetics, Medieval Philosophy.

Salary at appropriate point on either scale £8735 to £13675 or £14245 to £18210 per annum according to experience, plus USS

Further particulars may be obtained from the Establishments Officer, The University, College Gate, St Andrews, Fife KY16 9AJ to whom applications (two copies preferably in typescript) with the names of three referees should be sent to arrive NOT LATER THAN 6TH MAY 1987

UNIVERSITY OF LANCASTER
DEPARTMENT OF ACCOUNTING AND FINANCE

THE WOLFSON CHAIR

The Wolfson Chair has become vacant in the Department of Accounting and Finance as a result of Professor K.V. Peasnell's appointment as Director of the International Centre for Research in Accounting at the University of Lancaster. The post is tenable from 1 October 1987 or such later date as may be arranged.

While applicants of exceptional quality will be welcome regardless of their fields of interest within accounting and finance, preference may be given to those with particular interests in corporate finance and financial markets.

Salary will be within the Professorial range (present Professorial average £28,585)

Further particulars and application form are available from the Establishment Office, (quoting reference L334/C), University House, Bailrigg, Lancaster LA1 4YW, where applications (9 copies) naming three referees, should be sent to arrive NOT LATER THAN 31 May 1987.

THE UNIVERSITY OF SHEFFIELD
Department of Applied & Computational Mathematics

Lectureship

Applications are invited for a new post of Lecturer in the Department of Applied and Computational Mathematics, as part of the Engineering and Technology Programme, tenable from 1 August 1987.

Candidates should have teaching and research interests in one or more of:

Control Theory **Optimization**
Mathematical Programming **Signal Processing**

Candidates with expertise in other related areas of Applied Mathematics will also be considered.

Initial salary on the scales for non-clinical lecturers grade A (£8,735 - £13,675 per year) or grade B (£14,245 - £18,210 per year) according to age, qualifications and experience.

Informal enquiries should be addressed to Dr D M Burley, Department of Applied Computational Mathematics (Tel: 0742 - 768555 ext. 4364).

Further particulars from the Personnel Department (Academic Staffing), the University, Sheffield S10 2TN to which applications (6 copies) including a curriculum vitae and the names of three referees, should be returned by 1 May 1987. Please quote reference R.575/A.

An Equal Opportunity Employer

UNIVERSITY OF NOTTINGHAM

BOOTS PROFESSOR OF ACCOUNTANCY

As part of a major development the University of Nottingham is seeking a professionally qualified person for a newly endowed Chair of Accountancy within the Department of Industrial Economics, Accountancy and Insurance.

Applications are invited from those with a teaching and research interest in any area of accountancy and finance and a willingness to participate in the new MBA programme within the University.

Salary will be within the recently enhanced Professorial range.

Further details and application forms, returnable not later than 11 May 1987 *from the Staff Appointments Officer, University of Nottingham, Nottingham NG7 2RD. Ref No 1098.*

UNIVERSITY COLLEGE LONDON

LECTURESHIPS IN LAW

Applications are invited for two lectureships from October 1987. Preference will be given to applicants willing to specialise in Property Law (which may include Personal and Real Property, Trusts and Intellectual Property) and Commercial Law with emphasis on International Trade Law and Conflict of Laws.

It is expected that the first appointment will be made in the Lecturer A salary range £8375 - £13675 + LA.

Applications (no forms) with full c.v. and names and addresses of two referees to Departmental Secretary, Faculty of Laws, University College London, Bentham House, 4-8 Endsleigh Gardens, London WC1H OEG, from whom further particulars may be obtained. Closing date 30 April 1987

UNIVERSITY OF STIRLING

Applications are invited for the post of

DIRECTOR OF THE CENTRE FOR JAPANESE STUDIES

to be held in conjunction with a Chair in Contemporary Japanese Studies which will be established in the Department of Business and Management.

The Director of the Centre will be responsible for the development and co-ordination of teaching and research in Japanese Studies throughout the University. His/her duties as Professor will be to conduct teaching and research in the area of Japanese Business.

The post will be for 5 years initially. Salary will be within the professional range (min £22,050 p.a.) with membership of USS.

Further particulars may be obtained from The University Secretary, University of Stirling, Stirling, FK9 4LA, tel 0786 73171, ext. 2250, to whom applications, including the names of three referees, should be submitted by 23 April, 1987.

THE UNIVERSITY OF LEEDS
DEPARTMENT OF CHINESE STUDIES

LECTURER

Applications are invited for the above post available from 1 October 1987. Qualifications, experience and special interest in teaching Chinese language (with native speaker competence in Putonghua and possibly Cantonese), and linguistics are required.

Salary on the scale for Lecturer Grade A (£8735 - £13675) according to qualifications and experience.

Informal enquiries may be made to Mr. B G Hook (tel (0532) 431751 ext 6448).

Application forms and further particulars may be obtained from the Registrar, The University, Leeds LS2 9JT, quoting reference number 12/9. Closing date for applications 8 May 1987.

University of Strathclyde

CHAIR IN FRENCH STUDIES

The University invites applications for the Chair in French Studies from candidates with a proven record in teaching and research, an appreciation of new initiatives and challenges, a strong interest in new developments in language teaching and a specialism in any area of modern French Studies.

Further particulars (quote Ref: 14/87) and application forms are available from the Registrar and Secretary, University of Strathclyde, 16 Richmond Street, Glasgow G1 1XQ. Closing date for applications: 5 May 1987.

EDUCATIONAL

POSTS

ACTON TECHNICAL COLLEGE

Head of Department (III/IV)
Business and Computing

An enthusiastic and experienced person with a business studies or computing background is required to help develop the work of this newly formed department. Administrative experience is essential, as is a commitment to team work and a willingness to serve the local community.

Head of Department (III/IV)
Community and Service Industry Studies

This newly formed department contained two distinct sections; one dealing with health, social and community studies - the other with catering accommodation studies, cleaning science and other science studies (excluding GCE). The Head will look after one section and have a deputy to supervise the other. Applications from candidates with theoretical and practical backgrounds in any of these areas outlined would be welcomed. We are also looking for administrative experience, community orientation and an ability to work in teams.

Deputy Head of Department (SL)
General Certificate

We are looking for a person to lead our developing GCSE programme. Experience of FE teaching and tutoring as well as evidence of preparation for the introduction of the GCSE are essentials for the successful candidate. We also value enthusiasm, creativeness and commitment to providing educational opportunities equally for all.

Lecturer II
in Electronics

We require a suitably qualified member of staff to teach robotics amd microelectroncis systems and applicaitons up to BTEC Higher National Certificate level. A willingness to undertake administrative duties as agreed and to support the college's policy of greater community involvement is essential.

Apply for further details (before 16.4.87) and application form to: Mr. D.G. Straughan, Chief Administration Officer, Action Technical College, Mill Hill Road, Acton, London W3 8UX. Telephone: 01-993 2344. Completed application forms to be returned by 27.4.87.

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Harrison is on song in Yorkshire's timely march to title success

By David Hands
Rugby Correspondent

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In the 34 years since Yorkshire last won the county championship, the competition has undergone considerable change in content and status. Yet their pride in winning the Thorn EMI Trophy was undiminished at Twickenham on Saturday: the championship has a unifying effect on players from 12 clubs and, since everything Mike Harrison touches this season turns to gold, Middlesex were not in a position to deny them.

Yorkshire won by two goals, a try and two penalty goals to two tries and a penalty and produced more good football for an hour than many teams do all season. Then they tired and Middlesex, in the final quarter, produced the play they had hoped to impose on the match from the start; dominating the set pieces, driving close to the scrums, tying up Yorkshire's back row.

Even then, Harrison was not done. The bulk of the 10,000 crowd were from Yorkshire and he waved his arms to encourage a tentative chorus of "Ilkley Moor"; as the singing swelled, so Yorkshire's hard-pressed defenders produced tackle after tackle and the Middlesex tide broke.

But Middlesex had lost their chance earlier. They took first use of the strong wind swirling out of the north-west corner, but were denied so much possession that they turned round 12-7 down.

But they recovered to 18-11 midway through the second half, when the Yorkshire tight forwards were beginning to tire. When Andrew launched a high kick towards the Middlesex posts, there was no immediate danger; Davies set off to his left but the ball went down between Lozowski and Dent and Peter Buckton collected to score unopposed.

It was just the day for Yorkshire to enjoy themselves. A back row such as their's – in which Tipping was outstanding – can play havoc with a dry ball and all too often, Middlesex found themselves settling into a maul, only to discover the ball had been whisked elsewhere.

Breaking down the barriers

Sheila Walsh, a founder member of the Women's Rugby Football Union four years ago, presented Wasps with the club championship shield after their 19-0 victory over Richmond, although clearly the main enjoyment was playing at Twickenham (David Hands writes).

The game was played across the field rather than up and down and Wasps may also have achieved another first, when Karen Almond's conversion was deflected over the bar by the charging Sue Butler.

SCORERS: Wasps: Tries: Sykes, Treadwell. Penalty try. Conversions: Almond (2). Penalty: Almond.

But it was crucial that Yorkshire's tight forwards played well and they did: they held the heavier Middlesex scrum and out-jumped them at the lineout. Only in the closing stages did Howe make an impression on the match.

Yorkshire's discipline was equally impressive. It was 35 minutes before they conceded a penalty and they only gave away five all afternoon. They zipped about the field like a box of squibs from the first moment and Middlesex were continually caught on the hop throughout the first half.

A good try by Moss, the Middlesex flanker, was enveloped by two short-range penalties from Adamson, Wakefield's confident full back, and although Fletcher restored the Middlesex lead, Winterbottom ripped the ball from Lozowski. Andrew breached the defence and Peter Buckton sent Underwood in.

At half-time, Cullen, the Middlesex scrum-half, went off with a groin strain, and was replaced by Steadman; within two minutes, Andrew conjured a splendid score from a lineout. He stepped inside Rigby then veered away from the cover and Underwood did well to get up on his shoulder for his second try.

Middlesex continued to allow the Yorkshire halves a generous amount of freedom and although Pinnegar forced his way over from a lineout, Holmes – stricken by cramp – and Andrew kept them at arm's length.

It was a splendid final, the last under the aegis of Thorn EMI, the present sponsors. A new sponsor, who will probably be unveiled before the season ends, has been found for the county and divisional championships but Thorn's generosity also extended to the women's club championship final, between Wasps and Richmond, which was played as a curtain-raiser to the county final.

SCORERS: Yorkshire: Tries: Underwood (2), P Buckton. Conversions: Adamson (2). Penalties: Adamson (2). Middlesex: Tries: Moss, Pinnegar. Penalty: Fletcher.
YORKSHIRE: R Adamson (Wakefield); M Harrison (Wakefield, captain), J Bentley (Otley), J Buckton (Saracens), R Underwood (Leicester); R Andrew (Wasps), D Holmes (Sheffield); M Whitcombe (Bedford), P Sellar (Hull and East Riding), A Rice (Hull and East Riding), S Tipping (Sale), G Thompson (Roundhay), D Baldwin (Wakefield), P Winterbottom (Headingley), P Buckton (Orrell).
MIDDLESEX: H Davies (Wasps); S Smith (Wasps), R Lozowski (Wasps), C Smith (Harlequins), A Dent (Harlequins); M Fletcher (Harlequins), J Cullen (Richmond; rep: F Steadman, Saracens); P Curtis (Harlequins), J Oliver (Harlequins), J Thorn (Richmond), M Rigby (Wasps), C Pinnegar (Wasps), J Howe (Saracens), K Moss (Wasps), P Jackson (Harlequins, captain).
Referee: C High (Manchester).



Pressed pass: Cullen, the Middlesex scrum half, thwarts Holmes (Photograph: Ian Stewart)

Wind blows away virtuosity

By Gerald Davies

Welsh Schools	15
English Schools	10

If the rain had come to disrupt this 18-group international match earlier in the week between England and Scotland, then it was the wind on Saturday which put a limit on the players' skills at Ebbw Vale. And, since it blew directly down the pitch, they had only a half each to feel comfortable. This is a pity since they looked to be evenly matched sides and deserved a better set of conditions. Wales deserved to win by two goals and a penalty to a try and two penalties because they harnessed the wind better and created a few more chances than did England.

They can thank the good work of Kembery and especially Roy, the North Walian in the lineout in the first half for getting the ball. And, perhaps, secretly the team might thank Canning too, the English stand-off, who did not quite judge the wind correctly and kicked too far. And, partly, for ignoring his men outside him. A dashing run by Rignall in the first half gave a suggestion that he ought to have seen a little bit more of the ball.

England looked to have the better of the contest at the scrum. Where Wales did have the distinct edge was in the back row and at half back. The two Williams and Matthews covered acres of the ground and, in the first half, they took part in some bright interpassing. Behind them Moore was effective and wasted little.

It was Stephens who put Wales into the lead with a penalty in the 21st minute only for Hoad to reply. England, against the wind after the interval, played it close and controlled. Then two sharp strokes by Wales struck home. Matthews had driven down the middle. And not letting up the momentum, Matthews then picked up from the base of the scrum to create enough space for Higgs to go over in the corner.

Straight from the kick-off, Wales opted quickly for a throw-in on the half way line instead of the scrum for Moore to race away on his own to give the scoring pass to Matthews. Stephens converted both. Neil Back got England's try with only a few minutes to go

SCORERS: Wales: Tries: C Higgs, I Matthews. Conversions: C Stephens (2). Penalty: C Stephens. England: Try: N Back. Penalties: J Hoad (2).
WALES: H Evans (Maesydderwen CS); C Higgs (Neath College), G Thomas (Cynffig CS), R Sheppeard (Hawthorne CS), S Reed (St Ilan CS); C Stephens (Ysgol Gyfun, Strade), A Moore (Llanelhan HS, capt); T Orrell (Ysgol Gyfun, Llanharn), G Richards (Maesyddorwen CS), D Francis (Brynteg CS). G Williams (Swansea College), A Kembery (Cynffig CS), S Roy (Sir David Hughes School, Menai Bridge), M Williams (Pontypool College), I Matthews (Ysgol Gyfun, Strade).
ENGLAND: G Thompson (Whitgift School); J Hoad (St Joseph's Academy, Blackheath), J Rignall (Cowley HS), D Dooley (Campion School), T Underwood (Bernard Gastle School); N Canning (RGS Guildford), S Fenley (Pate's GS, capt); J Priestley (Bradford GS), R Martin (St Joseph's Academy, Blackheath), J Dent (Durham School), A Phillips (Bancroft's School), M Johnson (Robert Smyth Upper School), G Robinson (Trent College), N Back (Woodland School), A Mitward (Purley HS).
Referee: P Robertson (Scottish RU).

Richmond sunk by slick play

By Nicholas Keith

Richmond	0
Nottingham	57

That was the week that was for Derek Wyatt, the Richmond coach. It began with his engagement to be married and ended with his team being unceremoniously dumped by magnificent opponents. Nottingham's coach broke down so they arrived 45 minutes late at the Athletic Ground and were given first use of a blustery wind. It took them the first quarter to settle down and Richmond attacked crisply.

In the last hour Nottingham scored 50 points. It was the result of powerful scrummaging and mauling; outstanding support play and passing. Mantell, the captain, showed the way at lock: simply superlative in the back row were Thornley and Cook. This made life easy for Moon, the scrum half, and his centres who carved holes in the Richmond defence.

With the wind in the first half Nottingham scored five tries through Glenn, from a tapped penalty, Freer and Mantell from rolling mauls; and two from the centre, Northard. Against the wind they flourished further with 28 points and five more tries.

SCORERS: Nottingham: Tries: Northard (2), Jones (2), Glenn, Freer, Mantell, Byrom, Thornley. Koral. Conversions: Swannick (7). Penalty: Swannick.
RICHMOND: A Hampel, S Pennock, R Holman, N Preston, S Lewis; M Drane, M Connor; M James, M Corr, D Goodwin, D Sole, M Slagter, W Biddell, D Kennington, C Vyvyan.
NOTTINGHAM: R Byrom; C Jones, M Northard, G Hartley, R Glenn; P Swannick, R Moon; M Freer, R Taylor, G Mosses, G Koral, C Gray, N Mantell, P Thornley, P Cook.
Referee: R Quinnenton (London).

Hill the general in rout of Newport

By Bryan Stiles

Bath	34
Newport	8

Richard Hill, the Bath and erstwhile England captain, wore the mantles of saint and sinner with equal aplomb in this absorbing and sometimes explosive match at the Recreation Ground on Saturday.

When the fists flew and the infighting was at its rawest, Hill could be found standing toe to toe with the toughest of rivals. But when the occasion demanded the calming influence of a peace-maker or the skills of a play-maker, he was again in his element.

As the dying noise of battle was sounding, he launched his troops with the shrewdness of the supreme general to turn a fairly close-run thing into a complete rout.

Newport were trailing by just two points and were gathering themselves for what they hoped would be a dash for glory. But there was Hill, leading from the front, naturally, charging through to score the second of his two tries and shatter Newport's morale.

Then, one minute from the end of normal time, he struck again, sending Guscott through for a try. When Newport surged forward again he realized he was facing a ragged Welsh battalion strung across the field – so he launched an attack from just yards short of his own line. Halliday provided the initial breakthrough, then was on hand to score.

The demoralized Newport restarted with a kick deep into the Bath defence, but Hill popped up again ordering all-out attack which this time produced a try for Swift. Exhilarating stuff to crush powerful opposition.

Newport were well served by George, who scored a try in the first half and contributed some fine touches in the loose. Waters, who collected Newport's second-half try to put them within two points of the Bath score, provided a solid partnership at lock with Widdecombe, but the Welsh pack were surprisingly unable to match their opponents' inventiveness, a shortcoming Hill exploited to the full.

SCORERS: Bath: Tries: Hill (2), Guscott, Halliday, Swift. Conversions: Barnes (4). Penalties: Barnes (2). Newport: Tries: George, Waters.

BATH: C Martin; T Swift, J Guscott, S Halliday, B Trevaskis; S Barnes, R Hill; C Lilley, G Dawe, G Chilcott, A Robinson, J Morrison, N Redman, P Simpson, D Egerton.

NEWPORT: J Calland (rep: T Coombs); M Battan, C Manley, J Howells, H White; K James, N Callard; J Rawlins, M Watkins, R Morgan, G George, J Widdecombe, D Waters, R Powell, W Rendall.
Referee: J Coulson (Northumberland).

Ards hold firm for cup glory

By George Ace

Ards showed splendid enterprise and no mean degree of skill to withstand intense second half pressure by Bangor, the holders, to emerge 15-10 winners in their Allied Irish Banks senior cup final at Ravenhill on Saturday.

Bangor, trailing 6-15 at the interval, really turned the screw in the second half, but Ards responded with fierce tackling and conceded only four points.

In the final five minutes of the match, Ards allowed four penalties inside the 25, all of which Bangor opted to run in their quest for six points, to snatch a dramatic victory. But the boys in the all black strip held firm and thoroughly deserved their win.

Instonians won the Digital Ulster Senior League Section one title with a 100 per cent record, defeating NIFC by 18-6 at Ormeau, leaving North to sweat it out until next weekend to see whether they avoid relegation to Section two. The decisive game will be played at Uprichard Park where Bangor meet Collegians.

The Irish Schools survived fierce Scottish pressure in the closing stages to gain a narrow 13-9 victory in Edinburgh by one goal, one try and one penalty to one goal and one penalty.

WEEKEND RESULTS

THORN EMI COUNTY CHAMPIONSHIP
Final

Middlesex (at Twickenham)	11	Yorkshire	22

JOHN SMITH'S MERIT TABLE B

Gosforth	21	Bedford	10

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Ptge
Waterloo	9	9	0	0	189	83	100
Richmond	10	7	0	3	165	169	70.00
N'thampton	8	5	0	3	143	88	62.50
Lon. Welsh	8	5	0	3	113	105	62.50
Saracens	9	5	0	4	149	119	55.56
L'pool St H	9	5	0	4	135	142	55.56
Headingley	6	3	0	3	100	56	50.00
Gosforth	8	3	0	5	112	105	37.50
Bedford	11	4	0	7	123	140	36.36
Rosslyn Pk	11	4	0	7	138	186	36.36
Blackheath	8	2	0	6	70	159	25.00
Lon. Irish	9	1	0	8	67	150	11.11

CLUB MATCHES

Aberavon	23	Newbridge	3
Abertillery	27	Met Police	18
Bath	34	Newport	8
Bridgend	19	Moseley	23
Cardiff	28	Swansea	0
Coventry	31	Llanelli	15
Cross Keys	0	London Irish	22
Hartlepool R	16	Rugby	4
Headingley	6	Vale of Lune	6
Leicester	23	Bristol	29
Lpool St H	19	Orrell	12
London Welsh	22	S Wales Police	8
Maesteg	28	Tredegar	0
Neath	35	Gloucester	6
Northampton	36	Morley	10
Nuneaton	21	Birmingham	8
Penarth	26	Torquay	3
Plymouth	4	Glamorgan W	52
Pontypridd	13	Ebbw Vale	11
Rosslyn Park	3	Harlequins	23
Roundhay	18	Broughton Park	26
Sale	14	Pontypool	12
Saracens	8	Wakefield	9
Sheffield	14	Exeter	4
W of Scotland	15	W Hartlepool	19

Cancelled: Wasps v Waterloo.

TOURNAMENT: Melrose Seven-a-sides: Quarter-finals: Heriot's FP 10, Melrose 14 (aet); Edinburgh Academicals 0, Kelso 22; Hawick 0, Harlequins 30; Jed-Forest 12, Cougars 6. Semi-finals: Melrose 16, Kelso 0, Harlequins 10, Jed-Forest 4. Final: Melrose 8, Harlequins 28.

GIROBANK EASTERN COUNTIES LEAGUE: Brentwood 21, Cambridge 0, Chingford 25, Old Cantabrigians 7; Ilford Wanderers 0, Canvey 9; Ipswich YMCA 9, Eton Manor 21; North Walsham 16, Woodford 3; PLA 12, Upminster 4; Sudbury 14, Norwich 12; Thetford 6, Metropolitan Police (Chigwell) 19; Wisbech 6, Newmarket 16; Wymondham 14, Southwold 0.

GLYNWED ENGINEERING MERIT TABLE: Oadby Wyggestonians 3, Bedford Athletic 3.

MERCIA MERIT TABLE: Dudley Kingswinford 7, Hinckley 10; Stoke 10, Newbold 4; Stourbridge 18, Lichfield 22.

MIDSHIRES MERIT TABLE: Nuneaton OE 17, Erdington 3.

NOTTS JOHN PLAYER PENNANT: Mellish 8, Newark 17; Moderns 26, West Bridgford 9.

WYVERN MERIT TABLE: Malvern 10, Woodrush 4.

MIDLANDS: Club matches: Aylestone St James 18, Handsworth 0; Barker's Butts 6, Leamingtonians 12 : Bedworth 49, Kynoch 3; Birmingham Welsh 19, Birmingham City Officials 17; Broad Street 27, Atherstone 7; Chesterfield 9, Rotherham 10; Coalville 4, Keresley 9; Coventry Welsh 12, London Welsh XV 14; Droitwich 22, Bridgnorth 8; Kettering 14, Loughborough 6; Kidderminster Carolians 3, Cleve 17; King's Norton 10, Old Wheatleyans 6; Leamington 9, Banbury 13; Long Buckby 48, Old Northamptonians 3; Old Bosworthians 45, Long Eaton 0; Old Saltleians 24, Old Newtonians 6; Reading 32, Bromsgrove 0; Solihull 16, Old Halesonians 16; Spartans 17, Five Ways 12; Stockwood Park 11, Kenilworth 16; Stoke Old Boys 22, Syston 9; Stoneygate 13, Mansfield 10; Tamworth 22, Stratford 3; Telford 11, Redditch 4; Trentham 13, Veseyans 3; Walsall 3, Lydney 13; Warwick 27, Chipping Norton 3, West Park 14, Stafford 14.

GIROBANK NORTH WEST LEAGUE: First division: Wigan 18, Wirral 13; Winnington Park 22, Lymm 21. Second division: Blackburn 3, Carlisle 9; Heaton Moor 10, Nethermall 0.

NORTH: Club matches: Ackam 19, Yarnbury 0; Baildon 19, Bridlington 28; Castleford 13, Scunthorpe 19; Chesterfield 9, Rotherham 10; Driffield 12, Roundhegnans 5; Eccles 15, Crewe and Namwich 10; Goole 0, Doncaster 10; Grimsby 3, Barnsley 31; Hemsworth 26, Huddersfield YMCA 22; Hessle 11, Pontefract 16; Leodiensians 4, Novocastrians 3; Malton and Norton 18, Ilkley 0, Manchester 11, Durham City 19; Otley Bridleans 15, Ripon 3; Old Crossleyans 22, Heath 3; Old Hymerians 12, Pocklington 12; Old Otliensians 18, North Ribblesdale 3; Scarborough 29, Bradford Salem 4; Southport 0, Keswick 16; Tyldesley 7, Ruskin Park 0; Wakefield Wasps 26, Moortown 0, Wath-on-Dearne 20, West Leeds 7; West Park 14, Stafford 14; West Park Bramhope 48, Beverley 0, York 11, Market Rasen 4.

BASS MERIT TABLE: Bridham 45, St Ives 6.

DEVON MERIT TABLE: Okehampton 9, Paignton 0; Tiverton 28, Exmouth 10.

CORNWALL MERIT TABLE: Camborne 19, Launceston 17; Newquay 29, Penryn 10; Penzance-Newlyn 27, St Austell 14.

WEST: Club matches: Barnstaple 8, Weston-super-Mare 4; Penarth 26, Torquay 3; Truro 26, Plymouth Extras 6, Wivelscombe 17, Newton Abbot 6.

YACHTING

Leaders bunch as fleet leaves Rio

From Barry Pickthall, Rio de Janeiro

Just nine miles divided the first five boats yesterday as the Frenchman, Titouan Lamazou's, 60ft Ecureuil D'Aquitaine led the 15-strong BOC single-handed Round-the-World race fleet away from Rio on the final stage of this 27,000-mile race back to Newport, Rhode Island.

Unlike the three previous starts in America, Cape Town and Sydney, Saturday's was unmarred by collisions or an undisciplined spectator fleet, though protests were filed against Philippe Jeantot, of France, the race leader, Ian Kiernan, the Australian, and Pentti Salmi, the Finnish sailor, for baulking the fleet in the almost windless conditions on the line.

First away was Richard Kokolski, the Czechoslovakian, sailing the class two entry, Declaration of Indepenence, closely followed by David White, from America. However, it was John Martin, the South African, sailing the 60ft Tuna Marina, who was first to find the freshening breeze and within five minutes had stolen a significant march on his rivals.

The 55ft class two leader, Airco Distributor, sailed by Mike Plant, of America, was slowed by an enforced headsail change shortly after the start, but was back in the lead yesterday.

The first thousand miles through the light and variable conditions off the south American coast could well prove crucial in deciding the final positions at Newport. And already the fleet has split into two groups with some taking an inshore course while others, including John Martin, have struck well out to sea.

Yesterday, John Hughes, of England, who was dismasted in the Pacific two months ago, was still 1,000 miles from Rio.

HOCKEY

Indians a win away from title

By Sydney Friskin

Indian Gymkhana need the three points from their remaining match against Fareham to win the premier division title in the McEwan's Lager South League. They drew nearer their objective on Saturday with a 2-0 away win over Chichester.

Brajinder Daved gave Indian Gymkhana the lead midway through the first half from a penalty stroke and 10 minutes into the second, Hanspal obtained the second goal from open play. Their match against Fareham, provisionally arranged for April 25, may, however, have to be brought forward in view of the Hockey Association's directive that all leagues must be decided by April 22.

Slough have an important date with Teddington at Feltham School on April 21 to decide the destiny of the premier division title in the Pizza Express London League. Slough's ambitions also came nearer fulfilment on Saturday when they defeated Surbiton 3-1. A quick goal by Surbiton put Slough on their mettle but they soon settled to take control

Warrington qualified for the Inter-League championships, to be played at Prescot on May 2-3, after their 2-1 victories over Norton and Welton respectively on Saturday. In midweek, Whitchurch made sure of the premier division title in the South Wales League after beating Oystermouth 5-0.

Rose Bowl goes to Americans

By Joyce Whitehead

The United States won *The Scotsman* six-nation Olympic qualifying women's tournament in Edinburgh and took home the Bruntsfield Sports Rose Bowl.

The result of the three games on Saturday were crucial and the last match held the key. With a lead of two goals after 37 minutes the Netherlands looked all set to beat the South Koreans and top the table but in the last third of the match the South Koreans scored three times to win 3-2. Yung Spook Kim scored twice and was instrumental in the third, which Mi Ja Kim scored from a rebound after a penalty corner. This left the Netherlands with seven points and South Korea with six.

In the previous match Great Britain had a shock. Already with seven points, they were beaten 1-0 by the United States. It was a clever goal; it had to be, for neither side was giving away opportunities.

In the first match of the day Ireland and Spain played for the wooden spoon. Ireland went two goals down and looked outclassed but they came back to win 3-2 and take fifth place.

RESULTS: Ireland 4, Spain 2; United States 1, Great Britain 0, South Korea 3 Netherlands 2. Final placings: 1, United States; 2, Netherlands; 3, Great Britain; 4, S Korea; 5, Ireland; 6, Spain
UNDER-18 TOURNAMENT (Largs): England 2, Scotland 0; Ireland 4, Wales 0, England 1, Ireland 1; Wales 2, Scotland 2; Ireland 4, Scotland 0; Wales 1, England 0 Final positions: 1, England; 2, Wales, 3, Ireland, 4, Scotland.

JUDO

Golds, but little glitter

By Nicolas Soames

Results from the British Open at Crystal Palace point to the prospect of a dismal European Championships in Paris next month, unless luck and magic intervene.

Wolverhampton club colleagues, the European lightweight silver medal winner Kerrith Brown and the middleweight Densign White, did produce gold medals on Saturday, but two home winners from seven weight categories marked the worst British performance at this event since 1967.

Brown, with his sixth successive open title in his sights, seized the initiative in the final against Phillippe Taurines of France and settled the matter with a lightening drop shoulder throw. Ten minutes later, his middleweight training partner White, caught out Taurine's compatriot Patrice Blin with a fast leg grab.

RESULTS: Bantamweight (U60k). 1, E Salle (Fr); 2, P Middleton (GB), 3, P Locsans (Fr), K West (Can). Featherweight (U65k): 1, F Decroix (Fr), 2, M Adshead (GB), H Mehelle (GB); 3, P Buben (WG). Lightweight (U71k): 1, K Brown (GB), 2, P Taurines (Fr); 3, F Dumbach (Fr), H Assungad (Port). Light middleweight (U78k). 1, J P Metsola (Fin), 2, F Davis (GB); 3, L Wydenbosch (Neths), P Sheals (GB). Middleweight (U86k). 1, D White (GB); 2, P Blin (Fr), 3, L Jani (Can), T Pascal (Fr) Light heavyweight (U95kg): 1, P Dan Hoedt (Neth), 2, J Kuiten (Neths); 3, M Bauweng (Bel), P Lind (Fin) Heavyweight (O95k). 1, C Jehle (Switz); 2, E Buomond (Fr); 3, J Salonen (Fin), H van Barneveldt (Bel).

TABLE TENNIS

Three resign in protest

George Yates, the English association's elder statesman and deputy chairman, and Aubrey Drapkin, the treasurer, have resigned in protest at the way John Prean, the chairman, is handling affairs, particularly his nomination of four new vice-chairmen in Saturday's national council meeting (a Special Correspondent writes).

Prean, who promised changes when he was elected, has certainly lived up to his manifesto, having already announced the abolition of the selectors and the demotion of the national director of coaching.

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Relaxation over motives of immigrants urged

Regina v Immigration Appeal Tribunal, Ex Parte Singh
Before Mr Justice Simon Brown
[Judgment March 23]

When an applicant for entry clearance to the United Kingdom on the ground of qualification as the spouse of a UK national under paragraph 54 of the *Statement of Changes in Immigration Rules* (HC 169, February 1983) had satisfied condition (b) of the paragraph, concerning the present intention of the parties to the marriage to live together, an entry clearance officer or adjudicator should not be astute to look for and too readily find that what was accepted to be an intended, permanent marriage was nevertheless disqualified from entitling the husband to settle in the UK by reference, under condition (a), to his original underlying motive for entering into the marriage.

Mr Justice Simon Brown so held in the Queen's Bench Division in granting an order of *certiorari* quashing the Immigration Appeal Tribunal's decision of December 12, 1984 refusing to grant leave to appeal against a refusal to grant entry clearance to Mr Matwinder Singh.

Mr Andrew Collins, QC and Mr Vasant Kothari for the applicant; Mr Guy Sankey for the respondent.

MR JUSTICE SIMON BROWN said that once condition (b) was satisfied that necessarily postulated that the parties had entered into what both intended to be a permanent union. It was necessary to recognize the intrinsic improbability that any two people would bind and commit themselves together in marriage, for life, with all that implied, primarily in order to achieve the husband's settlement in the UK.

The mere fact that a husband might well be readier to marry a wife settled in the UK in the hope and expectation that he might thereby be permitted to settle, would not be a sufficient basis to conclude that a primary reason for such a marriage would be to gain admission to the UK, any more than it could properly be said that a man who contemplated matrimony, anxious, if possible, to secure a wealthy wife could be said, after marrying such a wife, to have entered into the marriage primarily to secure financial position.

There were clearly cases where, on the facts, an entry clearance officer, even though satisfied about condition (b), would be entitled to conclude that they were not satisfied of condition (a).

That would be most obvious where a husband had plainly gone to considerable lengths to find a wife who could secure him entry to the UK, that, plainly being his essential object, rather than entry into a lifelong union.

His Lordship believed that in the light of *R v Immigration Appeals Tribunal, Ex parte Kumar* ([1986] Imm AR 446) the correct approach in considering condition (a) involved addressing as, (a) required, the antithesis between marriage to obtain admission and marriage to bind oneself for life to a particular person and to bear in mind the enormity of undertaking the latter to secure the former.

Solicitors: Gummer & Singh, Hounslow: Treasury Solicitor.

All can be joined

In re a Company (No 007281 of 1981)

Where a member of a small private company petitioned under section 459 of the Companies Act 1985 for an order on the ground that the company's affairs were being or had been conducted in an unfairly prejudicial manner, it was proper to join all members of the company to the petition even if there was no specific allegation of complicity in the conduct complained of in relation to all of them. Mr Justice Vinelott held in a reserved judgment in the Chancery Division on April 2 refusing to strike out the petition in so far as it related to Investors in Industry plc.

HIS LORDSHIP said that the practice in the past had always been to join all members of the company but that practice was now challenged. It was the proper practice because, particularly where the articles contained pre-emption rights, all other shareholders and the balance of voting rights would be affected.

The proper analogy was with an administration action where the practice was to join all beneficiaries who stood to be affected by any order the court might make.

The position might be different where the articles contained no pre-emption rights or where a large public company was concerned. In the latter case, where some members were taking no part in the management of the company but were just investors, it might be sufficient merely to give them notice of the petition so that they could apply to be joined as parties if they so wished.

Direction to sell implies consent to hold auction

Regina v Secretary of State for the Environment, Ex parte Manchester City Council
Before Sir John Donaldson, Master of the Rolls, Lord Justice Nourse and Lord Justice Glidewell

[Judgment April 7]

The sale of land at public auction without a reserve price by a local authority in accordance with directions given by the Secretary of State for the Environment under section 98 of the Local Government, Planning and Land Act 1980 was not a sale for a consideration less than the best that could reasonably be obtained so as to require the secretary of state's consent under section 123(2) of the Local Government Act 1972.

In any event, a direction under section 98 of the 1980 Act carried with it a consent for the purposes of section 123 of the 1972 Act to dispose of land at a consideration less than the best reasonably obtainable.

The Court of Appeal dismissed an appeal by Manchester City Council against the refusal by Mr Justice Taylor of their application for judicial review by way of *certiorari* to quash directions under section 98 of the 1980 Act to sell certain land, given in a letter dated November 19, 1985.

The secretary of state had directed that the land should be sold within four months of the date of the direction at public auction without reserve, and that the council should not reserve the right to bid or employ anyone to bid on its behalf.

Mr Jeremy Sullivan, QC and Mr Nicholas Huskinson for the council; Mr John Mummery for the secretary of state.

LORD JUSTICE GLIDEWELL said that the argument for the council was that the market for land in Manchester at the time of the direction, and still, was depressed, and that the price likely to be realized by the sale of the areas in question was substantially less than if they were retained in council ownership until conditions improved, and that accordingly disposal at auction without reserve was unlikely to produce the best price.

Since the council had power to dispose of land only at the best price, there was no power to dispose of the land in the absence of the secretary of state's consent; and he had not given it.

Mr Sullivan submitted that the first question was whether it would have been in the council's power to dispose of the land if there had been no direction under section 98 of the 1980 Act and no consent under section 123(2) of the 1972 Act.

That raised a question as to the meaning of "a consideration less than the best that can reasonably be obtained". The council would be entitled to decide to sell and produce the best price that could be obtained at the time of sale.

If it was then asked whether a sale by the council acting under the direction by the secretary of state would produce a price less than the best price, the answer was again "No".

If that was not right, the second question was whether the directions under section 98 of the 1980 Act included a consent under section 123(2). A direction to dispose of land in a particular way had to carry with it consent to dispose of it in that way, and it followed that if that method produced less than the best price the consent to the method of disposal became consent to disposal for a consideration less than the best that could be reasonably obtained.

The appeal should be dismissed.

Lord Justice Nourse and the Master of the Rolls delivered concurring judgments.

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Detention without treatment

Regina v Mersey Mental Health Review Tribunal, Ex parte D

A person could be suffering from a psychopathic disorder of a nature or degree which made it appropriate for him to continue to be liable to be detained in a hospital for medical treatment, for the purposes of section 72(1)(b) of the Mental Health Act 1983, even though there was no medical treatment which could be given which might alleviate, or prevent the deterioration of his condition.

The Queen's Bench Divisional Court (Lord Justice Russell and Mr Justice Otton) so held on March 19, dismissing an application by a patient, who had been detained in secure hospitals since his conviction for murder in 1939, for judicial review of a decision of the Mersey Mental Health Review Tribunal to make no recommendation for his discharge from hospital, on the ground that he was suffering from a psychopathic disorder of a nature and degree which made it appropriate for him to be detained in hospital for medical treatment and that it was necessary for the protection of other persons that he should receive such treatment.

LORD JUSTICE RUSSELL said that the medical treatment envisaged by section 72 was defined by section 145 to include nursing, care and rehabilitation under medical supervision. It followed that care in a secure hospital under medical supervision was medical treatment; it did not have to be such treatment as might alleviate or improve the applicant's condition.

RACING: FOLKESTONE FEATURE OFFERS WILLIAMS-TRAINED COLT CHANCE TO PAY TRIBUTE TO GUINEAS FAVOURITE

Speedy Mister Majestic to rule

By Mandarin

Champion trainer Michael Stoute will be hoping Mister Majestic can provide a classic boost for his 2,000 Guineas ante-post favourite, Ajdal, in the Privy Councillor EBF Stakes at Folkestone today.

Mister Majestic, after making the running for six furlongs, was beaten 3¼ lengths, into fourth place, behind Stoute's colt in last October's William Hill Dewhurst Stakes, and it will be disappointing if the Robert Williams-trained three-year-old cannot beat his three rivals in today's six-furlong contest.

Before his Dewhurst run, Mister Majestic had displayed the utmost gameness in making all the running to land the Tattersalls Middle Park Stakes, also on Newmarket's July course, by a neck from Risk Me, who showed his well-being with a runaway victory in Saturday's Clerical Medical Greenham Stakes at Newbury.

Six furlongs would appear to be Mister Majestic's ideal distance and it is worth noting that he won three of his first four races as a juvenile.

Of his three rivals, Quel Esprit should pose the major threat. This speedy colt, by What A Guest, beat Mister Majestic by half a length over five furlongs at Newmarket's Guineas meeting last May, but with an extra furlong to cover today, and conditions likely to prove really testing, Mister Majestic can gain his revenge.

Mark Smyly should be on the mark in the Saltwood Handicap with Full Speed Ahead, who stayed on strongly to finish a close-up fourth behind the versatile Mareth Line and Green Archer (a subsequent winner) at Leicester last month.

Also at the Kent meeting, I like the chance of John Dunlop's Don't Knock It, in the first division of the Chatham Maiden Stakes. Despite failing to reach a place in three outings last season, Walter Swinburn's mount still ran creditably, including a good eighth behind stable companion War Brave at Lingfield Park.

Although not present at Newbury on Saturday, Henry Cecil must have been delighted with Rakaposhi King's brave front-running victory in the Lanes End John Porter Stakes. Now I expect the Warren Place trainer to add to his early tally with Indian Skimmer in the Bluebell Fillies Graduation Stakes at Wolverhampton.

This daughter of Storm Bird only had one outing as a two-year-old, finishing a close-up fourth behind Tweeter over seven furlongs at Headquarters in October, and she looks the type to improve.

Dick Hern runs a promising candidate in Head Of Victory, who showed up well in two big maiden fields at the backend. The Queen's Gentle Persuasion won Newbury's Kingsclere Stakes at the first time of asking, but has to concede 10lb to Indian Skimmer, who is napped to open her account.

That hardy veteran Bold Illusion ploughed through the mud to score at Leicester last Spring, and appears to be on a handy mark in today's Hyacinth Stakes.

At Edinburgh, the Denys Smith-trained Greed, all the better for his outing behind Regal Steel at Doncaster, can come up trumps in the Barclays Unicorn Trophy.

Blinkered first time

EDINBURGH: 2.30 Dildup. 3.30 Colonel Hall. FOLKESTONE: 2.15 Pathias. 3.45 Ricmar, Smack. WOLVERHAMPTON: 3.0 Rhapsody In Black.

Lucratif collects the lire

Lucratif (Paul Cook), the least fancied of three British challengers, gained a comfortable success in the £58,979 Premio Parioli (Italian 2,000 Guineas) at the Capannelle, Rome, on Saturday.

It was the second success in the race in five years for his trainer, Ian Balding. Lucratif, who came with a strong run to lead 300 yards from home.

He paid 137 lire for a win and 64 for a place, both including a ten-lire stake, and scored by 3½ lengths and half a length from the outsiders Franco Forte and fellow challenger, War Brave.

Toluca Lake (John Matthias) stayed on in the closing stages to finish fifth of the 16 runners. Lester Piggott has sent the colt to spend the week with Frank Turner in Milan and Toluca Lake should make much more impact in next Sunday's Premio Emanuele Filiberto, over ten furlongs at San Siro.

Armstrong toying with colts' classic for Invited Guest

By Michael Seely

A spectacular victory by Invited Guest in tomorrow's Nell Gwyn Stakes at Newmarket could well see Robert Armstrong's talented filly attempting to become the first of her sex to win the 2,000 Guineas since Garden Path in 1944.

Last season, Steve Cauthen rode Invited Guest to her wins in the Waterford Candelabra Stakes at Goodwood and in the Hoover Fillies' Mile at Ascot. But Henry Cecil has now claimed his contract rider for Martha Stevens.

"I booked Tony Ives," said Armstrong. "If the going is not too bad, Invited Guest will run tomorrow and I'll make up my mind about which Guineas she'll go for at the weekend."

The trainer's reasoning is sound. Ajdal apart, the colts in the 2,000 Guineas only appear to be of group (two calibre at present, whereas in the 1,000, Miesque, Forest Flower, Minstrella and Milligram are all proven group one fillies. In addition, the supposedly weaker sex are now set to receive 5lb from their male contemporaries.

Talking about Shady Heights, runner-up to Ajdal in last autumn's Dewhurst Stakes, Armstrong continued: "I am going to declare the colt for the Craven. I am desperate to get a run into him as he's such a laid-back worker at home."

The continuing bad weather at Newmarket is proving a nightmare to trainers. At present Ajdal will run on Thursday," said Michael Stoute. "But I won't risk him if the ground is bad."

Henry Cecil is waiting on Stoute's decision. "If Ajdal doesn't run, I will switch Scarlet Blade from the Free Handicap to the Craven, leaving Midyan as my only runner in that race."

Of the six times champion trainer's other Guineas possibles, Giant's Castle takes on Afshoun and Joligeneration in Wednesday's Wood Ditton Stakes and the highly-rated Legal Bid goes for the Feilden Stakes on Thursday.



Armstrong, who has booked Ives for Invited Guest

At the start of this crucial week Ajdal remains favourite for the 2,000 Guineas at 11-4. Bellotto and Don't Forget Me, who pleased Richard Hannon in a gallop yesterday morning, are both 12-1 chances.

Risk Me and Bellotto, who finished first and third in Saturday's Greenham Stakes in bottomless ground at Newbury, are also both 12-1 chances.

Both Jeremy Tree and Pat Eddery consider Bellotto to have been unsuited by the going, but once again Risk Me showed a relish for these conditions as Cauthen sent the 5-2 favourite five lengths clear of Deputy Governor in a few strides.

Half an hour later, Cecil had his first pattern race victory of 1987 and Cauthen completed a double when Rakaposhi King stormed home by six lengths in the John Porter Stakes for Lord Howard de Walden. The winner will now try and win Chester's Ormonde Stakes for his owner, who is hopeful of seeing his unraced Shirley Heights colt Admiral's Inn stake his claim as a lively Derby outsider at Nottingham on April 20.

Finally, at Ayr Peter Scudamore and Little Polveir won the Scottish Grand National after only four runners had completed the course.

POINT-TO-POINT

Inspired Ledger thwarts Harwood

By Brian Beel

Amanda Harwood's double attempt at the Chiddingfold, Lecconfield and Cowdray point-to-point on Saturday was foiled by the inspired riding of Nicky Ledger.

Miss Harwood won the members race on Only For Love when left with little do after Flamenco Dancer ran into the wing of the 13th fence. In the ladies open, on Red Shah, she lay handy until taking up the running after Gio Wimpy fell at the 10th, but four fences from home was caught by Logan, ridden by Nicky Ledger.

After Mike Felton had pulled back David Naylor Leyland's lead in the men's championship to one by winning the first race at the Royal Artillery on Redenham, both riders went through the afternoon without entering the frame.

Philip Scholfield had to wait until the last race at the Spooner's And West Dartmoor before he broke his sequence of eight seconds in eight days. He brought Joe Flash home by three parts of a length in the maiden.

WOLVERHAMPTON

Selections

By Mandarin	By Our Newmarket Correspondent
2.30 Bong Tree.	2.30 Ffynnongroyw.
3.00 My Cup Of Tea.	3.00 Rhapsody In Black.
3.30 Kalgoorlie.	3.30 Kalgoorlie.
4.00 Bold Illusion.	4.00 —
4.30 INDIAN SKIMMER (nap).	4.30 INDIAN SKIMMER (nap).
5.00 Merrymoles.	5.00 Music Review.

By Michael Seely

4.00 BOLD ILLUSION (nap). 5.00 Duck Flight.

Guide to our in-line racecard

103 (12) 0-0432 TIMESFORM 74 (CD,BF,F,G,S) (Mrs D Robinson) B Hall 9-10-0 ..... B West (4) 86

Racecard number. Draw in brackets. Six-figure form (F-fell. P-pulled up. U-unseated rider. B-brought down. S-slipped up. R-refused). Horse's name. Days since last outing. (B-blinkers. V-visor. H-hood. E-Eyeshield, C-course winner. D-distance winner. CD-course and distance winner. BF-beaten favourite in latest race). Going on which horse has won (F-firm, good to firm, hard. G-good. S-soft, good to soft, heavy). Owner in brackets. Trainer. Age and weight. Rider plus any allowance. The Times Private Handicapper's rating.

Going: good to soft **Draw: high numbers best**

2.30 TRILLIUM MAIDEN STAKES (2-Y-O: £822: 5f) (14 runners)

1	(5)	4	BELL CAPTAIN 13 (J Watson) M McCourt 9-0	B Raymond	—
2	(6)		BIBICAS (Mrs C Seymour) B Preece 9-0	N Howe	—
3	(12)		BONG TREE (Miss J Samuel) R Johnson Houghton 9-0	S Cauthen	—
6	(7)		MERRYDALE FARM (G Kenyon) Capt J Wilson 9-0	Julie Bowker (7)	—
7	(9)	0	MIEGAIL 13 (P Spencer) M Britain 9-0	P Robinson	—
8	(10)		MISTERITZ (L Barratt) L Barratt 9-0	S Keightley	—
9	(14)	3	O K KID 7 (BF) (E Goody) W Turner 9-0	R Fox	—
13	(8)		VIKING VENTURE (K Fischer) M E Francis 9-0	C Rutter (3)	—
14	(4)		ALMETISE (M Bawn) B McMahon 8-9	T Ives	—
15	(13)		FFYNNONGROYW (Lord Mostyn) J Shaw 8-9	Paul Eddery	—
17	(1)		PEACONPALA (R Ashford) Miss A King 8-9	I Johnson	—
18	(2)		PETITE ANGEL (N Connop) R Hollinshead 8-9	A Culhane	—
19	(3)		PRINCESS GABLE (M Fetherston-Godley) M Fetherston-Godley 8-9	R Hills	—
21	(11)	0	SPANISH MOU 14 (D Farrell) M Eckley 8-9	J Reid	—

BETTING: 5-2 Bell Captain, 100-30 OK Kid, 4-1 Bong Tree, 11-2 Flynnongroyw, 8-1 Miegail, 10-1 Petite Angel, 12-1 Spanish Mou, 16-1 others.

1986: ASTON LASS 8-11 A Proud (20-1) L Barratt 8 ran

FORM BELL CAPTAIN (9-0) 4th, ran a reasonable first race, beaten 7l to the dual winner Calmmi (9-0) with MIEGAL (9-0) 5th, led but lost touch after half way at Leicester (5f, £1096, soft, Mar 31, 9 ran). BONG TREE (foaled 23/4) by Kampala, comes from a stable that does not usually have two-year-olds out so early.

O K KID (8-11) 3rd lost touch close home, beaten 7l to Brandon Beach (8-11) at Folkestone (5f, £684, heavy, Apr 6, 6 ran).

SPANISH MOU (7-13) 6th, never a factor, beaten 8½l to L'Addition (8-3) at Leicester (5f, £1134, soft, Mar 30, 14 ran)
Selection: BELL CAPTAIN

3.0 WALLFLOWER SELLING HANDICAP (£986: 7f) (17 runners)

1	(15)	000-4	LAKE ONEGA 5 (Full Circle Thoroughbreds) N Tinkler 4-9-10	—	88	
2	(11)	1000-0	RHAPSODY IN BLACK 11 (V,D,S) (T Ramsden) M Ryan 4-9-6	P Robinson	97	
3	(14)	0200-03	ROBIS 5 (F Swam) Mrs N Macauley 4-9-4	R Hills	96	
4	(12)	000000-0	THE LIDGATE STAR 14 (D Garraton) G Oldroyd 4-9-3	T Ives	82	
5	(16)	224201-	MY CUP OF TEA 228 (F) (M Pipe) M Pipe 4-9-1	S Cauthen	90	
7	(2)	03000-2	THE STAMP DEALER 11 (J Moores) E Alston 4-8-12	J Reid	97	
9	(4)	0000/	FANDANGO PRINCESS 543 (M Oseman) G Price 4-8-12	J Williams	—	
10	(5)	000004-	HEAVENLY CAROL 164 (K Cundell) P Cundell 4-8-12	W Carson	—	
11	(17)	43/0003-	PATCHOULI'S PET 245 (G Parker) W Morris 4-8-12	—	93	
14	(9)	000-0	AFRICAN SAFARI 7 (Lord Carnick) P Cundell 3-8-8	N Adams	81	
15	(3)	30200-0	OCTIGA 14 (F,G) (M Britain) M Britain 4-8-7	—	95	
16	(7)	120440-	CLEARWAY 212 (S) (P Parnell) R Hodges 3-8-6	A Dicks	81	
17	(10)	000-	JUMA MONTY 235 (W Cheetham) J Payne 3-8-6	P D'Arcy	—	
18	(8)	00300-0	MEDALLION MAN 5 (M D M Racing Ltd) J Mackie 3-8-5	S Keightley	99	
19	(13)	000-	MAX STAR 195 (Mrs J Mackie) J Mackie 3-8-5	A Mackay	83	
22	(6)	000000-	RAPID STAR 306 (W Clay) W Clay 4-8-2	L Riggio (7)	—	
23	(1)	00000-	GOLD STATE 178 (J Martin) W Wharton 3-8-2	A Proud	86	

BETTING: 100-30 Lake Onega, 7-2 The Stamp Dealer, 4-1 Robis, 5-1 My Cup Of Tea, 8-1 Gold State, 10-1 Medallion Man, 12-1 Octiga, 14-1 Clearway, 16-1 others.

1986: (1m) RIC VIC 7-8 C Rutter (8-1) B Stevens 12 ran

FORM LAKE ONEGA (9-4) 4th, missed the break, and did not have a clear run close home, finished 2nd, latter placed 4th, beaten ½l to Jump To It (8-11) with MEDALLION MAN (8-8) 6th, lacked pace close home, beaten 8l at Catterick (7f, £1128, soft, Apr 8, 19 ran).
RHAPSODY IN BLACK (9-8) 6th, can improve from recent outing, beaten 20l to Bantel Blazer (7-9) at Hamilton (1m, £1016, heavy, Apr 2, 11 ran).
THE LIDGATE STAR (8-11) 5th, lost touch close home, beaten 16l to O I Oyston (8-10) at Ayr (1m, £969, soft, Mar 30, 13 ran).
MY CUP OF TEA (8-10), has changed stables since winning, took it up close home and was hard ridden to win 1l from Song An'stance Man (8-10) at Brighton (1m, £825, firm, Aug 28, 6 ran).
THE STAMP DEALER (8-1) 2nd, failed to quicken close home, beaten 2l to Beechwood Cottage (8-13) at Hamilton (6f, £1651, heavy, 11 ran, Apr 2).
Selection: LAKE ONEGA

3.30 CROCUS E B F STAKES (3-Y-O: £2,370: 1m 1f) (2 runners)

6	(1)	02330-	KALGOORLIE 163 (Sheikh Mohammed) L Piggott 8-11	T Ives	99
10	(2)	01230-	MONTFORT 200 (F) (G Sangster) W Jarvis 8-8	B Raymond	96

BETTING: 4-7 Kalgoorlie, 11-10 Montfort.

1986: (1m) CRESTA AUCTION 9-1 G Carter (9-2) G Pritchard-Gordon 5 ran

FORM KALGOORLIE from the in-form Piggott stable, (8-11) was down the field behind Grand Tour (8-11) at Newmarket (1m 2f, £9536, soft, Nov 1, 12 ran). Earlier (8-11) 3rd beaten ½l to Sanam (8-11) at San Siro (1m, £33024, good, Oct 12, 16 ran).
MONTFORT (8-10) disappointed when unplaced to Invited Guest (9-0) at Ascot (1m, £25185, good to firm, Sep 26, 12 ran). Earlier (8-9) 2nd chased home Lafuche (8-8) beaten 1l at Newmarket (7f, £9583, good to firm, Aug 9, 8 ran).
Selection: KALGOORLIE

4.0 HYACINTH HANDICAP (£2,746: 1m 4f) (14 runners)

1	(1)	03000-0	SIR PERCY 18 (S) (I Farini) C Holmes 4-9-10	—	99
2	(5)	001034-	WELL COVERED 252 (F) (G Hamilton) R Hollinshead 6-8-1	S Perks	93
3	(10)	33041/1	SIR CRUSTY 13 (CD,F,S) (M Ash) R Holder 5-9-1 (Sex)	J Reid	97
7	(11)	424100/	TOUR DE FORCE 654 (D,G,S) (Mrs D Strauss) P Makin 7-8-8	T Ives	—
8	(12)	330040-	RECORD WING 161 (F,G,S) (Small Acorns Ltd) D H Jones 9-8-7 .. D J Williams (5)		89
10	(9)	2-04	TANCRED WALK 7 (S) (D Pardy) C Jackson 8-8-2	—	97
11	(6)	04000-3	CELTIC DOVE 13 (Mrs V Price) G Price 4-7-13	J Williams	97
12	(13)	0/33004-	MOUNT SCHIEHALLION 270 (P Stroud) K Brassey 4-7-13	N Adams	89
13	(6)	00000-0	VICKSTOWN 16 (CD,G) (Home & Trade Ltd) B Morgan 5-7-11	G Carter	91
14	(7)	04/1U40-	BOLD ILLUSION 343 (D,G,S) (H Thursfield) M Eckley 9-7-11	L Riggio (7)	96
15	(3)	1000/00-	PHAROAH'S TREASURE 273 (F) (A J Bingley Ltd) M McCourt 6-7-9	R Street	—
16	(2)	40000-2	SKYBOOT 18 (CF,G,S) (B Robinson) Mrs C Lloyd-Jones 8-7-7 .. Julia Bowker (7)		92
19	(14)	2223/00-	DISCOVER GOLD 213 (H) (A Harrison & Co Ltd) K Bridgwater 6-7-7	R Fox	—
20	(4)	00000-9	BULLY BOY 13 (A Richards) C Austin 4-7-7	Abigail Richards (7)	85

BETTING: 5-2 Celtic Dove, 11-4 Sir Crusty, 4-1 Bold Illusion, 6-1 Tancred Walk, 9-1 Well Covered, 12-1 Sir Percy, 14-1 Record Wing, 16-1 others.

1986: SCREES 5-8-7 D Nicholls (12-1) J H Wilson 15 ran

FORM SIR CRUSTY (9-3) won well by 2l from Marsoom (7-7) with CELTIC DOVE (8-13) 3rd beaten 2l, neck at Leicester (1m 2f, £2393, soft, Mar 31, 12 ran).
TANCRED WALK (8-11) 4th, stayed on well, beaten 7l to Green Archer (7-8) at Nottingham (1m 6f, soft, Apr 6, 13 ran).
BOLD ILLUSION fit from hurdling and will like this ground. Lost his way after his debut victory last year when (7-9) won well 5l from Record Wing (9-2) at Leicester (1m 4f, £2470, soft, Mar 24, 19 ran).
SKYBOOT (7-4) down the field behind Homme D'Affaire (8-12) at Doncaster (1m 2f, £1828, soft, Mar 26, 15 ran).
Selection: BOLD ILLUSION

4.30 BLUEBELL FILLIES GRADUATION STAKES (3-Y-O: £959: 1m 1f) (16 runners)

1	(6)	144-	GENTLE PERSUASION 178 (G) (The Queen) I Balding 9-7	T Ives	94
2	(13)	00030-0	CALL FOR TAYLOR 13 (Taylors of Soham Ltd) D Leslie 8-11	M Rimmer	72
3	(15)	0-	CAMILLA'S GIRL 215 (K Jaffa) M Usher 8-11	M Wigham	—
7	(11)		DODINGTON BELLE (M Kent) M Blanshard 8-11	N Adams	—
10	(3)	00-	HEAD OF VICTORY 163 (P Brant) W Hern 8-11	W Carson	93
11	(1)	040000-	HONEY PLUM 199 (Miss L Mornsh) D Elsworth 8-11	P McEntee (7)	—
12	(5)	4-	INDIAN SKIMMER 192 (Sheikh Mohammed) H Cecil 8-11	S Cauthen	99
13	(2)	00-	LA CARABINE 203 (Sir R Clarke) K Brassey 8-11	P Wallace	—
14	(16)		LADY BILTMORE (F Yardley) F Yardley 8-11	I Johnson	—
15	(14)	0-	LUREX GIRL 215 (Stidorex Co Ltd) K Brassey 8-11	R Hills	74
17	(9)	0	MY INSPIRATION 14 (T Switer) M Eckley 8-11	J Reid	—
19	(8)	0-	SARA LANE 207 (E Moller) G Wragg 8-11	Paul Eddery	—
21	(12)		SHY DOLLY (Mrs G Hay) R Casey 8-11	P Robinson	—
22	(10)		SNOW HUNTRESS (T Egerton) W Hern 8-11	B Proctor	—
23	(4)	00-	STAR CITY 223 (E Hayward) J Bradley 8-11	J Williams	—
26	(7)	00-	VIENS VITE 168 (Miss K Rausing) R Sheather 8-11	A Shoults (3)	—

BETTING: 7-4 Indian Skimmer, 3-1 Gentle Persuasion, 100-30 Head Of Victory, 9-1 Snow Huntress, 12-1 Sara Lane, 14-1 Viens Vite, 16-1 Shy Dolly, 20-1 others.

1986: BELICE 8-11 N Howe (25-1) S Mellor 18 ran

FORM GENTLE PERSUASION (8-9) 4th, lacked pace close home, beaten 3l to At Risk (8-9) at Newmarket in the well contested Rockfel Stakes (7f, £13320, good, Oct 17, 13 ran).
HEAD OF VICTORY (8-11) 8th beaten 8¼l to City In Flight (8-11) at Newmarket (7f, £4828, soft, Nov 1, 28 ran).
INDIAN SKIMMER (8-11) 4th, stayed with promise, beaten 1¾l to Tweeter (9-0) at Newmarket (7f, £5156, good to firm, Oct 3, 21 ran).
SARA LANE (8-11) can improve from her only outing when 15th to At Risk (8-11) at Yarmouth (6f, £1590, good, Sep 18, 19 ran).
VIENS VITE (8-11) 11th beaten 13l to Dunenny (9-0) at Lingfield (7f, £1853, good to soft, Oct 27, 17 ran).
Selection: GENTLE PERSUASION

5.0 DAFFODIL HANDICAP (£1,769: 5f) (18 runners)

1	(5)	00000-1	DUCK FLIGHT 14 (D,G,S) (R Dunsdon) J Douglas-Home 5-10-3 (7ex) .. S Cauthen		92
2	(3)	200000-	MEESON KING 156 (D,F,G,S) (J Wilcox) B McMahon 6-9-9	J Hills (5)	93
3	(11)	000422-	MIRACLES TAKE TIME 292 (S) (Mrs B Skinner) D Elsworth 5-9-7 .. P McEntee (5)		92
5	(9)	000000-	RUNAWAY 207 (D,G,S) (A Thommill) C Tinkler 4-9-6	M Wood	—
6	(7)	402401-	FOOLISH TOUCH 164 (D,F,G,S) (M Chandler) W Musson 5-9-6	M Wigham	96
7	(13)	000240-	SPACEMAKER BOY 156 (CD,F,G,S) (T Drake) C Spares 7-9-5	A Proud	93
8	(1)	004131-	MERRYMOLES 151 (B,G,S) (A Bingley) M McCourt 4-9-2	R Wernham	93
9	(4)	00000-	IMPALA LASS 188 (D,F,S) (R Shaw) B McMahon 4-9-2	T Ives	92
10	(2)	000000-	STEPHEN'S SONG 172 (D,S) (T Nicholson) N Vigors 4-9-1	S Dawson	93
11	(6)	323203-	TAYLOR OF SOHAM 156 (F) (Taylors of Soham Ltd) D Leslie 4-8-13	M Rimmer	99
12	(14)	1020-34	MUSIC REVIEW 11 (D,F) (Movedrive Ltd) M Tompkins 4-8-12	A Mackay	94
13	(15)	100000-	ARDENT PARTNER 188 (F) (H Dean) R Holder 4-8-10	J Reid	88
14	(8)	4P0/000-	SHARI LOUISE 271 (F,S) (Dr S Foster) J Spearing 4-8-5	W Carson	—
15	(10)	100000-	PINE HAWK 156 (S) (Mrs J Wilkinson) D Haydn Jones 6-8-5	D J Williams (5)	93
16	(16)	04020-4	STANBO 14 (L Gotch) D Dale 4-8-2	P Robinson	97
17	(18)	006000/	DORNEY 228 (F) (M Clemence) P Burgoyne 7-7-8	C Rutter	—
18	(12)	002010-	DEBACH REVENGE 168 (D,S) (Mrs C Miller) M Tompkins 5-7-7	L Riggio (7)	94
20	(17)	0000-20	ROYAL BEAR 9 (D,S) (E Monaghan) J Bradley 5-7-7	R Fox	91

BETTING: 7-2 Spacemaker Boy, 5-1 Foolish Touch, 13-2 Taylor Of Soham, Duck Flight, 10-1 Meeson King, 11-1 Stephens Song, 12-1 Debach Revenge, 14-1 Merrymoles, Stanbo, 16-1 Music Review, Miracles Take Time, 20-1 others.

1986: SPACEMAKER BOY 6-9-7 N Howe (3-1 jt-fav) R Nicholls 14 ran

FORM DUCK FLIGHT (9-12) came through to win well by 2l from ROYAL BEAR (7-8) with STANBO (8-4) 4th, failed to quicken, beaten 6l at Folkestone (5f, £1259, heavy, Mar 30, 14 ran).
MIRACLES TAKE TIME (7-12) 2nd, lacked pace close home, beaten 3l by the easy winner Prince Sky (8-7) at Salisbury (6f, £4893, good to firm, June 25, 14 ran).
FOOLISH TOUCH (10-0) got up close home to win 3l from Ainashme (9-4) at Newmarket (6f, £2040, good to soft, Oct 31, 23 ran).
SPACEMAKER BOY has changed stables twice since winning this race last year, best recent outing (9-7) 4th beaten 6¼l to Rambling River (9-5) with DEBACH REVENGE (7-7) 13th at Edinburgh (5f, £932, good, Oct 27, 16 ran).
MERRYMOLES (8-11) made all to win 1l from Corncharm (8-13) at Folkestone (6f, £1468, good, Nov 3, 20 ran).
TAYLOR OF SOHAM (8-0) 3rd, kept on well, beaten short head and a head by Royal Fan (8-3) at Doncaster (5f, £6628, good, Nov 8, 23 ran).
MUSIC REVIEW (8-13) 4th, lacked pace close home, beaten 9½l to Beechwood Cottage (8-13) at Hamilton (6f, £1651, heavy, Apr 2, 11 ran).
ROYAL BEAR latest (7-8) 5th beaten 5l to Cronk's Quality (9-11) at Lingfield (6f, £1816, heavy, Apr 4, 16 ran).
Selection: FOOLISH TOUCH

Course specialists

TRAINERS	Winners	Runners	Per Cent	JOCKEYS	Winners	Rides	Per Cent
W Hern	10	25	40.0	W Carson	20	99	20.2
H Cecil	15	42	35.7	S Cauthen	12	71	16.9
P Makin	8	44	18.2	J Reid	16	163	9.8
N Vigors	7	44	15.9	P Robinson	9	103	8.7
R J Houghton	7	45	15.6	S Perks	6	136	4.4
D Haydn Jones	8	112	7.1	Only qualifiers			

FOLKESTONE

Selections

By Mandarin	By Our Newmarket Correspondent
1.45 Don't Knock It.	1.45 Nero.
2.15 Glenmore.	2.15 Vagabundo.
2.45 Full Speed Ahead.	2.45 Love Walked In.
3.15 Mister Majestic.	3.15 Mister Majestic.
3.45 Indian Orator.	3.45 Sun Street.
4.15 Speculate.	4.15 Speculate.
4.45 Hailey's Run.	4.45 Hailey's Run.

The Times Private Handicapper's top rating: 4.15 SPECULATE.

Going: good to soft **Draw: 5f-6f low numbers best**

1.45 CHATHAM MAIDEN STAKES (Div I: 3-Y-O: £684: 7f) (12 runners)

7	(9)		EURODOLLAR (K Khan) J Holt 9-0	P Waldron	—
8	(5)		EXHAUST MAN (Maidvale Ltd) Miss B Sanders 9-0	W Newnes	—
10	(4)	0030-	GOLD MINORIES 174 (E Benfield) P Mitchell 9-0	A McGlone	81
11	(3)	20303-	GREEN'S OLD MASTER 172 (R Green) W Jarvis 9-0	R Cochrane	99
13	(11)	0-0	MAX IS CUTE 7 (H Lebovitz) J Sutcliffe 9-0	M Hills	—
15	(6)	0	NERO 16 (Mrs L Piggott) L Piggott 9-0	Pat Eddery	95
16	(2)	00-	NEVADA MIX 217 (N McConnell) N Gaselee 9-0	B Rouse	—
19	(7)	0	SO RHYTHMICAL 7 (Miss C Barrow) A Hide 9-0	G French	82
24	(8)	000-	DON'T KNOCK IT 172 (Sheikh Mohammed) J Dunlop 8-11	W R Swinburn	91
27	(12)		FRINGE OF GOLD (A Richards) C Brittain 8-11	M Roberts	—
29	(1)	0-	HUNGRY GRIEBEL 288 (Maverick Productions Ltd) I Balding 8-11	J Matthias	95
36	(10)	30020-0	WAR CHILD 4 (H Man) A Moore 8-11	D McKay	78

BETTING: 5-2 Nero, 7-2 Green's Old Master, 4-1 Don't Knock It, 6-1 Max Is Cute, 7-1 Hungry Griebel.

1986: (2-Y-O: 5f) SAMLEON 8-6 L Jones (4-1) R Hannon 6 ran

2.15 GILLINGHAM SELLING HANDICAP (£773: 1m 2f) (13 runners)

2	(4)	203/100-	FLAMING PEARL 170 (V,CD,F,G,S) (R Goodman) B Stevens 6-9-6	R Carter	97
3	(5)	0000-43	THATCHINGLY 7 (D,S) (D Adamson) M Bolton 6-9-8	P Waldron	90
4	(3)	000233/	GLENMORE 545 (R Hutchinson) R Hutchinson 5-9-5	R McGhin	—
5	(8)	30041/0-	FRISCO 385 (S) (J Pepin) J Long 5-9-3	R Curant	—
8	(1)	22/0000-	FAVOURITE NEPHEW 346 (J Mursell) R Hodges 6-9-1	B Thomson	—
9	(11)	00000/	RUBIENNE 530 (Mrs P Fox) J Fox 4-9-0	—	—
10	(9)	000002-	BLUE FANTASY 233 (Mrs M Stevens) B Stevens 4-8-12	R Guest	95
13	(2)	01-	CANDAULES 4 (D,G,S) (C James) C James 9-8-11	B Rouse	96
14	(10)	10300-2	MURILLO 7 (B,D,G,S) (F Carr) F Carr 11-8-11	J Carr (7)	98
17	(6)	000300/	VAGABUNDO 709 (M Ryan) M Ryan 6-8-9	G Bardwell	—
18	(12)	24200-0	RUPERT BROOKE 14 (H Man) A Moore 4-8-6	D McKay	99
23	(7)	00000/	MISS TACIPUSS 597 (R Panayi) J Jenkins 5-8-2	T Williams	—
26	(13)	003-0	PATHIAS 13 (V) (J Douglas-Home) J Douglas-Home 3-7-13	—	98

BETTING: 11-4 Pathias, 100-30 Murillo, 4-1 Thatchingly, 11-2 Flaming Pearl, 8-1 Rupert Brooke.

1986: FLAMING PEARL 5-9-4 R Carter (3-1 fav) B Stevens 13 ran

2.45 SALTWOOD HANDICAP (£1,471: 1m 4f) (14 runners)

2	(13)	6/04200-	SITTING BULL 235 (F,G) (C Donovan) J Jenkins 5-9-9	W R Swinburn	95
3	(9)	233230-	ASHINGTON GROVE 182 (S Wong) D Murray-Smith 4-9-8	T Quinn	95
5	(11)	041000-	BLUSHING SPY 172 (B,D,F) (Amdy Finance Ltd) R Akehurst 4-9-4	J Adams (7)	96
6	(5)	00030-0	STAR SHINER 4 (V) (Mrs N Lewis) G Lewis 4-9-0	G Starkey	84
7	(14)	002010/	GLENMORE LOUIS 685 (CD,S) (P Saunders) B Wise 5-8-11	B Rouse	—
8	(1)	00200-4	FULL SPEED AHEAD 14 (Capt R Smyth) R Smyth 4-8-10	Pat Eddery	97
13	(10)	60/0003-	MARLEY ROOFUS 175 (S) (Marley Roof Tile Co Ltd) M Haynes 5-8-8	P Cook	—
15	(7)	10428-0	LOVE WALKED IN 14 (S) (Whiting Comm Ltd) W Holden 5-8-8	R Morse (5)	94
17	(6)	0030-00	PATRICK JOHN LYONS 10 (D,S) (T Lyons II) P Arthur 6-8-4	D Price	90
20	(3)	60/6000-	WING BEE 272 (A Speake) J Bridger 4-7-12	—	—
21	(2)	0000/0-0	ROAD TO IDELLS 13 (J Saunders) C Benstead 5-7-11	G French	89
22	(4)	000300-	MISSELFORE 175 (A Else) D Gandolfo 4-7-10	A McGlone	97
23	(12)	00070/3	AVERON 7 (S) (C Wildman) C Wildman 7-7-10	T Williams	99
24	(6)	000303-	PRIVATE SUE 236 (A Richards) C Austin 4-7-9	D McKay	—

BETTING: 15-8 Full Speed Ahead, 3-1 Star Shiner, 11-2 Averon, 13-2 Blushing Spy.

1986: HOLYPORT VICTORY 4-8-13 M Wigham (3-1) M Usher 8 ran

3.15 PRIVY COUNCILLOR E B F STAKES (3-Y-O: £2,368: 6f) (4 runners)

1	(1)	144014-	MISTER MAJESTIC 178 (D,F,G,S) (D Johnson) R J Williams 9-5	R Cochrane	93
4	(4)	312000-	PENSURCHIN 222 (F,S) (Mrs H Ralton) D Elsworth 9-2	A McGlone	89
5	(2)	022430-	QUEL ESPRIT 195 (D,G,S) (Miss L Morgan) M McCormack 9-2	Pat Eddery	88
7	(3)	1000-	SUSAN HENCHARD 161 (G) (Mrs P Harris) J Francome 8-9	W Newnes	84

BETTING:

FOOTBALL: TOTTENHAM'S POWER BRUSHES ASIDE THEIR DEPLETED OPPONENTS AND SWEEPS THEM THROUGH TO THE FINAL

Fate leaves Watford hope in shreds

By Stuart Jones
Football Correspondent

Tottenham Hotspur 4
Watford 1

Fate had no need to be so visibly cruel to Watford. To snap a bone in the hand of their top goalkeeper and to dislocate the little finger of his understudy before Saturday's FA Cup semi-final was to leave them defenceless against the most powerful attack in the country.

To delay the kick-off at Villa Park by 15 minutes and to rustle up a blustery wind was to unsettle their already uncertain emergency replacement, Gary Plumley. To remove Jackett as well, through injury, was to disrupt still further the plans that remained amid Watford's muddled rearrangements.

To twist the elbow of Sims out of its socket after they had been dismantled was an act of superfluous sadism. When Graham Taylor subsequently noticed that McClelland, his other central defender, was limping, he looked up towards the heavens and asked: "God, what is going on?"

To retain any realistic hope of resisisting Tottenham Hotspur, let alone of carrying themselves to Wembley, Watford had to be at their strongest. Instead, mentally disturbed by distasteful rumours concerning their chairman, and physically enfeebled, their challenge lasted effectively for less than 15 minutes.

Tactically, Watford contributed to their own downfall. Rather than playing their own adventurous game, they attempted to stop Tottenham displaying theirs. Taylor explained that "we felt we could not allow them any freedom in mid-field," an area that his side is unaccustomed to inhabiting.

They were apprehensive, too, and their goalkeeper confirmed their worst fears by dropping at the feet of Hodge the first shot that came his way. The second took a wild deflection off McClelland and allowed Clive Allen to take the credit for breaking the record of 44 goals set by Jimmy Greaves.

Watford, two down, were no longer competing for a place in the final but merely for their own pride. Taylor, anxious to redesign his formation yet again, prayed that they could hold on until he could do so in the serenity of the dressing room.

However, Plumley's inexperience was to be exposed again as Paul Allen's cross-shot divided the gap between him and the near post. Taylor admitted that all he could do was to ask his team not to "lose their discipline and fall apart" in the second half. To their credit, they did not.

They did concede a fourth on the hour after Clive Allen, suffering from cramp, had been replaced. Yet the sweeping move, involving Hoddle, Ardiles and Claesen would have opened any rear-guard, and the finishing blow from Hodge was struck so sweetly that it would have beaten any goalkeeper.

Watford at least claimed some compensation, albeit empty and irrelevant, through another Allen — Malcolm — the substitute for the unfortunate Sims. "We had too much of a hill to climb," said Taylor. "The better side won but we lost with dignity". Indeed, they and their supporters accepted defeat with admirable graciousness.

David Pleat was relieved that his talented squad will end his first season with a tangible reward. Getting to Wembley is the thing, although I hope we can go on to win the Cup".

Taylor defended his decison to withdraw Sherwood, even though his reserve goalkeeper had recovered adequately from injury. Since Plumley would not be available for the remaining eight League games, Watford's manager wanted to avoid the potential risk of being forced to select a 16-year-old novice.

He revealed that he had approached Jennings. Yet even if the Northern Ireland international had accepted the offer to face his former club, his presence would doubtless have made no difference. Never have underdogs seemed destined to have the door to the national stadium shut so firmly in their face.

TOTTENHAM HOTSPUR: R Clemence; C Hughton, M Thomas, S Hodge, R Gough, G Mabbutt, C Allen (sub: N Claesen), P Allen (sub G: Stevens), C Waddle, G Hoddle, O Ardiles.

WATFORD: G Plumley; L Sinnott (sub: S Perry), W Rostron, K Richardson, S Sims (sub: M Allen), J McClelland, D Bardsley, L Blissett, M Falco, G Porter, J Barnes.
Referee: R Lewis.



The agony: Watford's emergency goalkeeper, Gary Plumley, winces at this goalmouth collision with Tottenham's Paul Allen. But the defeat hurt more.

Everton exploit creative zenith at a critical stage

By Ian Ross

Everton 4
West Ham United 0

After seven years in Italy, Liam Brady still knows an outstanding British football team when he sees one. Although admitting that he was hardly in the best position to judge the leading contenders for the League championship after playing in six first division games since his return, he said after West Ham's annihilation by Everton at Goodison Park on Saturday: "They are the best side I have faced. It is now a two-horse race between Everton and Liverpool. They steamrollered us in the first half and were very impressive indeed."

Everton's dominance was complete: West Ham were without six recognized first-team players and performed, in an embarrassing first half, at least, as though they had only had five men on the field. It would be rather cynical, however, to criticize the Londoners for their performance because Everton were excellent, particularly in the first 38 minutes. Much as Liverpool did last season, Everton have reached a peak of creativity. Their timing was superb, their passing neat and compact and their finishing of the very highest order.

The rout began in the nineteenth minute when a move initiated by Sheedy was climaxed by a Clarke shot which clipped a post on its way in.

Reid, the England midfield player, who is at last returning to his World Cup form, recorded a rare goal when he bent an audacious 20-yard drive around two defenders and beyond the diving McAlister.

After 32 minutes Steven led a posse of defenders on a merry dance before dispatching the ball to Stevens, who obliged with a vicious, wind-assisted shot which McAlister had no chance of stopping.

A splendid first half was rounded off seven minutes before the interval when Watson bundled home a Harper corner.

In the second half Everton relaxed and West Ham tried desperately to regain some lost pride. Cottee squandered his side's outstanding chance when, after 70 minutes, he beat Southall, the Everton goalkeeper, but under-hit his shot.

EVERTON: N Southall; G Stevens, P Power, K Ratcliffe, D Watson, P Reid, T Steven, A Heath, W Clarke, A Harper, K Sheedy.
WEST HAM UNITED: T McAlister; B Bonds, T McQueen, T Gale (sub: N Orr), G Strodder, L Brady, G Pike, A Dickens, G Parris, T Cottee, S Robson.
Referee: D Hutchinson.

Liverpool's hopes crumbling away

By Simon Jones

Norwich City 2
Liverpool 1

For Liverpool, a season without a trophy is like bread without butter. Yet it looks as if there will be no new silverware to add to Anfield's extraordinary collection this year. Liverpool's hold on the League championship, the last competition they can win, is weakening.

Liverpool are losing their grip in more ways than one. A week ago they were defeated in the Littlewoods Cup final despite leading with a goal from Rush (the first time they had lost a game in which he had scored). The same pattern was evident at Carrow Road. Again they went in front through Rush, again they dominated, again they were beaten. This is not the Liverpool of Shankly or Paisley.

For once the mournful expression of their present manager Kenny Dalglish, seemed entirely appropriate. Predictably, he thought it "an injustice" that his team had been defeated. He blamed his defence, saying: "There's been a consistent factor in the goals we've been giving away recently. But I think we've got the solution."

As this was Liverpool's fourth successive defeat (their worst run since 1983) it is surprising that the failing has not already been put right. But, as many first division managers have found out to their cost, knowing that something is wrong is not the same as being able to correct it.

Certainly Liverpool are not marking their opponents closely enough inside the penalty area. When Putney scored Norwich City's equalizer with a half-volley after 70 minutes, he was given so much space on the edge of the six-yard box he might have been out for an early morning stroll in the park.

Drinkell, whose delightful chip had created that goal, added the second having been allowed even more freedom. As he moved onto Gordon's pass at an acute angle inside the penalty area. Liverpool defenders backed away from him in anticipation of a cross. Instead, he decided to shoot and found the top corner of the net with a ferocious drive. There were two minutes left and suddenly Liverpool looked like any other team.

NORWICH CITY: B Gunn; K Brown, A Spearing, S Bruce (sub: W Biggins), M Phelan, I Butterworth, J Crook, K Drinkell, R Rosario, T Putney, D Gordon.
LIVERPOOL: B Grobbelaar; G Gillespie, B Venson, J Wark, R Whelan, A Hansen, P Walsh, C Johnston, I Rush, J Molby, S McMahon.
Referee: C Downey

Irish game to go on as planned

By George Ace

Northern Ireland's European Championship qualifying game with Yugoslavia at Windsor Park on April 29 is virtually certain to go ahead as planned. The Irish Football Association secretary, David Bowen, stated over the weekend that had the report from the UEFA observer been dramatic in content, the IFA would almost certainly have heard by now.

Fears had been expressed in some quarters that UEFA would order the game to be played outside the province following the explosion of an IRA bomb close to Windsor Park before the recent game against England.

● **Shamrock Rovers are to leave their home of the past 50 years in Milltown and will share Tolka Park with the amateur club, Home Farm. The Milltown ground is expected to be bought by property developers and turned into office blocks or luxury apartments. Rovers will play their last game there on Sunday against Sligo Rovers.**

Frizzell accepts the cause is lost

By Martin Searby

Manchester City 2
Southampton 4

Peter Swales, the Manchester City chairman, and Jimmy Frizzell, the club manager, tacitly admitted relegation was certain after an unpalatable defeat by a Southampton side that has failed to win any of its nine previous away matches.

The supporters have never accepted defeat at Maine Road, yet from the start one could detect that aura of doom associated with a side which has lost faith and is living on hope; anyone who has played in a losing team can recognise it.

The 'Swales out' chant started soon after City handed Lawrence and Southampton the lead early in the second half. Hobson headed home the first and Wallace the second, flapped on to the post by Suckling. Hobson scored again after a cross from Lawrence and completed his treble from a penalty. Yet things started so brightly for City, whose only goal in six previous games was a penalty.

In the 27th minute Stewart struck his first goal since his £200,000 move from Blackpool. But City had the feel of a side without faith and when the crowd refused to give the ball back midway through the second half it was, as a wag remarked, the longest they had kept possession all season.

Southampton could afford the 89th minute goal from Moulden.

Mr Frizzell said afterwards: "Defensively we committed hari-kiri and just gave the points away. It is ironic that we start scoring on the very day we start giving goals away." Those thoughts were echoed by Chris Nichol, the Southampton manager. "We were lucky to go in level at half-time and then they just gifted us the points. I have every sympathy with Jimmy's position." Oh, that the City supporterscould find it in their hearts to forgive.

Manchester City: P Suckling; J Gidman, C Wilson, K Clements (Sub: P Simpson), M McCarthy, K Langley, D White, N McNab, I Varadi, P Stewart, P Moulden.
Southampton: P Shilton; S Baker, D Armstrong, J Case, M Wright, K Bond, A Townsend, G Cockerill, G Lawrence, G Hobson, D Wallace (Sub: M Le Tissier).
Referee: Mr V Callow.

Charlton regret Wembley

By David Powell

Lennie Lawrence, it may be reasoned, has achieved as much this season in making his first journey to Wembley as a manager as George Graham has in making his. The Full Members' Cup may not be the Littlewoods Cup but Charlton Athletic are no Arsenal. The difference is that Graham can reflect on his club's cup final as a bonus, coming, as it has, in the season of his appointment, while Lawrence is beginning to wish he had never been to Wembley at all.

Having lost to a second division side, Blackburn Rovers, at Wembley, Charlton may soon lose their first division status too and Lawrence believes that the Full Members' Cup is partly responsible.

"I don't begrudge the players and supporters their day at Wembley but I said at the time that we might regret getting there and now we are. Today was the first time all season I have had a fully fit squad. Now I can make changes — and I will," Lawrence said.

Oxford miss the Aldridge touch

By Vince Wright

Oxford United 1
Newcastle United 1

Oxford United, seventeenth in the first division, may yet pay a high price for selling their leading scorer, John Aldridge — relegation. Since Aldridge left for Liverpool, Oxford have won only two League matches out of 11. Aldridge's absence on Saturday probably cost Oxford two points against Newcastle United, who are immediately below them in the table.

Oxford's pressure in the second half should have yielded more than an eightieth minute equalizer but their finishing was poor. Maurice Evans, the Oxford manager, said that Aldridge's sharpness and sure touch in the penalty area had been missed.

At least Oxford checked Newcastle's surge up the table which was brought about by three consecutive home victories. However, as Newcastle's remaining games are away, their first division future is far from assured.

Goddard is showing that West Ham's loss is Newcastle's gain. He is a fine target man and an ideal foil for Beardsley. Roeder, Newcastle's captain and central defender, was seen at his best in the second half when the concentration of his colleagues started to waver. Newcastle went in front after 38 minutes in controversial circumstances. Oxford waited in vain for an offside flag as Goddard collected a measured pass from Peter Jackson, ran 15 yards and slid the ball under Hardwick's despairing dive.

Although Caton prevented Gascoigne from increasing Newcastle's lead, Oxford had the upper hand in the second half. Phillips, Foyle and Saunders all wasted good chances before the left-back, Dreyer chested down Brock's corner and fired into the roof of the net.

OXFORD UNITED: S Hardwick; N Slatter, J Dreyer, L Phillips, J Trewick (sub: P Rhoades-Brown), T Caton, R Houghton, D Saunders, M Foyle, T Hebberd, K Brock.
NEWCASTLE UNITED: M Thomas; N McDonald, K Wharton, D Jackson, P Jackson, G Roeder, P Stephenson (sub: A Thomas), P Gascoigne, P Goddard, P Beardsley, J Anderson.
Referee: N Ashley.

Albion ease their fears

West Bromwich Albion eased their relegation worries by beating Birmingham City 1-0 in a second division match at St Andrew's yesterday morning. Reilly's fifth minute goal was enough to give Albion their first win in two months.

The goal was the result of a mistake by Birmingham's young defender, Bird, who failed to control the ball in front of goal and Reilly had no trouble scoring from close range.

Birmingham's inexperienced side wilted and the only surprise was that despite their overwhelming superiority, Albion had only Reilly's goal to show for their efforts.

Hilaire's lead role

By Andrew Longmore

Portsmouth 3
Oldham 0

Portsmouth celebrated the anniversary of their last defeat at Fratton Park with an emphatic win over promotion rivals Oldham, calming the nerves which usually jangle at this time of the year on the south coast.

Before the game Alan Ball, the Portsmouth manager, had described it as "a classic shoot-out situation" and thought the manner of the victory was rather more high farce than *High Noon*. Oldham were nonetheless convincingly drummed out of town in the end. Their final rollcall of two penalties, a sending off and a booking, was not a fair reflection of their afternoon's work.

As in all good westerns there was a hero and a villain and Hilaire had a hand in all three of the goals time and again outpacing Oldham's cumbersome off side trap, while Linighan had a less happier afternoon, his hand being responsible for Portsmouth's second penalty and his foot causing referee Stevens to send him to the dressing room after he had aimed a kick at the abrasive Kennedy, who was also inevitably booked.

Joe Royle, the Oldham manager, who had a few words to say to the referee and linesmen during the course of the second half, also admitted that Portsmouth deserved their win and there were few in the fanatical crowd who would argue with that. Yet up to half-time, the game had all the hallmarks of a Portsmouth wobble.

In the second half Oldham sat back and allowed themselves to be overawed by Portsmouth's commitment and aggression, though they needed two penalties, both caused by Hilaire, the first when he was brought down by Barlow and the second a harsh handball by Linegan, and converted by Dillon to establish their supremacy.

Quinn finally gained the reward against his old club his determination deserved, and with a handy six-point cushion, Portsmouth can now surely contemplate life among the big guns.

PORTSMOUTH: A Knight; K Swain, P Hardyman, K Dillon, N Blake, B Gilbert, K O'Callaghan, M Kennedy, P Mariner, M Quinn, V Hilaire.
OLDHAM: A Gorham; D Irvin, A Barlow, T Henry (sub: M Cecere), A Linighan, K Moore, R Palmer, I Ormondroyd, T Wright, M Milligan, G Williams.
Referee: B Stevens.

Large crowd sees little sign of self-promotion

By Nicholas Harling

Crystal Palace 0
Plymouth Argyle 0

If the play-off system is supposed to stimulate greater interest, the evidence was provided by Selhurst Park's biggest crowd of the season, 10,589, for a Crystal Palace League match. What it unfortunately did not witness was greater excitement, the spectacle being a sad indictment of the new formula, devised, among others, by Ron Noades, the Palace Chairman.

On Saturday's evidence neither side deserved to be promoted to the first division, now that the only route open to either of them is via the dubious method whereby the fourth or fifth placed club might easily qualify at the expense of the third.

Such a spectre would hardly reward greater consistency over the season but at least in that aspect Palace have something going for them, a defence that has yielded but one goal in its last eight games. Until recently Palace were threatening to become the first club ever to be promoted having scored less goals than it had conceded, having lost more games than it had won.

Plymouth's record is somewhat more realistic for a club in danger of going up but there was little indication as to how Tynan had come to score 22 goals for the Pilgrims. His class was evident as he collected the ball in the centre circle after three minutes to evade two tackles by Canon and one by O'Reilly before being magnificently robbed by Gray as he deliberated a moment too long. Thereafter Tynan sulked his way through a match which for long periods resembled one on a kindergarten playing field: either everyone went for the ball or no one did.

CRYSTAL PALACE: G Wood; A Finnigan, K O'Doherty, K Taylor, G O'Reilly, J Cannon, A Irvine, A Gray, M Bright, I Wright, P Barber.
PLYMOUTH ARGYLE: S Cherry; J Bremacombe, L Cooper, N Law, J Uzzell, J Matthews, K Hodges, R Coughlin, T Tynan, J Clayton, G Nelson.
Referee: K A Miller.

WEEKEND FOOTBALL RESULTS AND TABLES

First division

Arsenal	2	Charlton	1
Everton	4	West Ham	0
Leicester	1	Aston Villa	4
Manchester City	2	Southampton	4
Norwich	2	Liverpool	1
Oxford	1	Newcastle	1
QPR	2	Luton	2

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Everton	35	21	7	7	65	27	70
Liverpool	35	20	7	8	62	36	67
Tottenham	33	18	6	9	56	33	60
Luton	36	16	11	9	41	37	59
Arsenal	35	15	10	9	45	25	58
Norwich	36	14	15	7	47	47	57
Notts F	35	15	10	10	55	41	55
Wimbledon	35	15	8	12	45	41	53
Coventry	34	14	8	12	38	36	50
QPR	36	13	9	14	42	45	48
Manchester Utd	34	12	11	11	45	35	47
Watford	34	13	8	13	54	46	47
Chelsea	35	12	10	13	43	52	46
West Ham	35	12	8	15	47	58	44
Southampton	35	12	5	18	58	62	41
Sheffield Wed	34	10	11	13	44	49	41
Oxford Utd	36	9	12	15	37	58	39
Newcastle	35	9	10	16	41	55	37
Leicester	36	10	7	19	48	66	37
Charlton	36	8	10	18	35	50	34
A Villa	36	7	12	17	38	68	33
Manchester City	35	6	13	16	29	50	31

FA Cup

Semi-finals

Tottenham 4 Watford 1

Yesterday

COVENTRY (0) 3 LEEDS (1) 2
Gynn, Houchen, Bennett — Rennie, Edwards
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(aet, score after 90min: 2-2)

Scottish Cup
Semi-finals

Dundee 2 Dundee United 3
Hearts 1 Sat Nijmen 2

WELSH FA CUP: Semi-final, first leg: Merthyr 1, Bangor City 0.

IRISH LEAGUE TNT GOLD CUP: Cliftonville 2, Larne 2; Crusaders 1, Coleraine 2; Newry 1, Ards 0.

CENTRAL LEAGUE: First division: Manchester United 2, Sunderland 2.

FOOTBALL COMBINATION: Luton 7, Queens Park Rangers 1; Southampton 4, Brighton 3; Swindon 3, West Ham 3.

MULTIPART LEAGUE: Barrow 0, Gainsborough 0; Caernarfon 0, South Liverpool 1; Macclesfield 2, Worksop 0; Marine 1, Hyde 2; Mossley 4, Witton 1; Oswestry 0, Morecambe 3; Rhyl 2, Buxton 3; Southport 2, Chorley 2; Workington 1, Goole 2.

GM VAUXHALL CONFERENCE: Boston 4, Altrincham 2; Dagenham 1, Wealdstone 0; Gateshead 1, Bath 2; Kettering 1, Runcorn 1; Maidstone 1, Cheltenham 1; Nuneaton 0, Stafford 0; Scarborough 2, Welling 0; Telford 5, Weymouth 1. Postponed: Northwich v Sutton.

SOUTHERN LEAGUE: Premier division: Alvechurch 0, Basingstoke 1; Bedworth 1, Bromsgrove 0; Chelmsford 0, Willenhall 2; Dudley 0, Cambridge City 0; King's Lynn 1, Gosport 0; Salisbury 2, Crawley 0; Shepshed 0, Redditch 2; Witney 0, Fisher 0; Worcester 0, Aylesbury 0. Midland division: Coventry Sporting 0, Hednesford 1; Leamington 0, Gloucester 1; Mile Oak 0, Leicester United 1; Moor Green 3, Bridgnorth 1; Stourbridge 0, Grantham 1; Sutton Coldfield 1, Ilkeston 3; V S Rugby 3, Forest Green 3. Postponed: Buckingham v Halesowen. Southern division: Andover 4, Sheppey 2; Ashford 4, Waterlooville 0; Burnham and Hillingdon 1, Gravesend and Northfleet 2; Erith and Belvedere 2, Dunstable 3; Hastings 1, Woodford 0; Poole 0, Corinthian 4; Tonbridge 1, Dorchester 2; Trowbridge 2, Chesham 3. Postponed: Ruislip v Dover.

Second division

Blackburn R	4	Barnsley	2
C Palace	0	Plymouth	0
Derby County	0	Stoke	0
Huddersfield	1	Ipswich	2
Millwall	1	Grimsby	0
Portsmouth	3	Oldham	0
Reading	0	Bradford	1
Sunderland	1	Sheffield Utd	2

Postponed: Hull v Brighton.

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Derby County	36	21	9	6	55	30	72
Portsmouth	35	21	8	6	46	21	71
Oldham	35	19	8	8	56	35	65
Ipswich	36	18	10	10	52	36	58
Hull	36	15	11	10	56	47	56
C Palace	36	17	4	15	47	45	55
Leeds	34	14	10	10	42	35	52
Sheffield Utd	36	13	11	12	46	45	50
Stoke	35	13	10	12	50	40	49
Millwall	35	13	7	15	34	35	46
Birmingham	36	10	15	11	45	51	45
Blackburn	35	12	8	15	37	46	44
Reading	34	12	7	15	44	51	43
West Brom	35	11	10	14	43	50	43
Barnsley	36	10	12	14	40	46	42
Grimsby	36	10	12	14	35	47	42
Sunderland	35	10	10	15	39	48	40
Bradford	35	10	9	16	47	53	39
Shrewsbury	35	11	6	18	31	45	39
Huddersfield	36	9	11	16	45	56	38
Hull	34	9	11	14	29	48	38
Brighton	35	7	11	17	31	46	32

Yesterday

BIRMINGHAM (0) 0 WEST BROM (1) 1
Reilly
11,158

FA TROPHY: Semi-finals, second leg: Dartford 0, Burton 2 (Burton win 4-1 on aggregate); Fareham 0, Kidderminster 2 (Kidderminster win 2-0 on aggregate).

VAUXHALL-OPEL LEAGUE: Premier division: Dulwich 2, Croydon 0; Farnborough 2, Walthamstow 0; Hitchin 0, Kingsonian 5; St Albans 2, Bognor 0; Slough 1, Barking 1; Tooting and Mitcham 0, Bishop's Stortford 1; Windsor and Eton 0, Bromley 0; Wokingham 1, Worthing 2; Wycombe 4, Carshalton 0. First division: Billericay 2, Walton and Hersham 0; Boreham Wood 1, Wembley 1; Bracknell 3, Southwick 0; Finchley 1, Tilbury 2; Leatherhead 1, Hampton 2; Leytonstone Ilford 1, Grays 0; Maidenhead United 0, Uxbridge 1; Oxford City 1, Epsom and Ewell 2; Staines 1, Basildon 0; Stevenage 0, Leyton Wingate 0. Second division north: Berkhamsted 1, Barton 0; Chesham 1, Hanagey 0; Hertford 2, Heybridge 0; Hornchurch 1, Vauxhal Motors 0; Letchworth GC 1, Rainham 1; Saffron Walden 1, Aveley 2; Tring 2, Collier Row 0; Ware 1, Clapton 0; Wivenhoe 1, Royston 1. Second division south: Camberley 2, Whyteleafe 1; Dorking 2, Newbury 0; Eastbourne United 1, Chertsey 3; Egham 0, Molesey 0; Feltham 2, Chalfont St Peter 0; Harefield 1, Metropolitan Police 0; Horsham 1, Flackwell Heath 1; Marlow 3, Ruislip Manor 2; Petersfield 2, Banstead 2; Southall 0, Woking 2.

MIDDLESEX SENIOR CUP: Semi-final: Hayes 3, Hendon 0.

COMBINED COUNTIES LEAGUE: Premier division: Chobham 2, Cobham 4; Cove 1, Malden Vale 2; Farleigh 2, Crenleigh 1; Frimley Green 1, Farnham 4; Godalming 0, Chipstead 0; Hartley Wintney 0, BAe (Weybridge) 0; Marsham 0, Malden Town 2; Westfield 1, Ash 5.

Third division

Blackpool	0	Gillingham	1
Bolton W	0	Middlesbrough	1
Bournemouth	1	Walsall	0
Bristol R	3	Swindon	4
Chester	1	Rotherham	0
Darlington	4	Bury	1
Fulham	3	Chesterfield	1
Mansfield	2	Bristol C	0
Notts County	1	Brentford	1
Port Vale	0	Carlisle	1
York	3	Newport County	0

Postponed: Doncaster v Wigan.

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Bournemouth	39	24	8	7	63	37	80
Swindon	37	22	6	9	65	40	72
Middlesbrough	38	21	9	8	53	28	72
Notts County	39	19	11	9	67	44	68
Gillingham	38	20	7	11	58	40	67
Wigan	36	20	6	10	68	50	66
Bristol C	38	18	10	10	55	31	64
Blackpool	39	14	13	12	66	48	55
Mansfield	39	13	15	11	45	45	54
Walsall	36	15	7	14	60	57	52
Chester	37	11	18	10	45	47	51
Chesterfield	39	12	13	14	51	59	49
Bury	40	12	11	17	46	53	47
Rotherham	40	12	11	17	40	50	47
Brentford	38	11	13	14	53	58	46
Port Vale	38	11	11	16	58	57	44
York	39	11	11	17	47	65	44
Doncaster	36	11	10	15	45	51	43
Fulham	39	9	15	15	50	57	42
Bolton W	40	9	13	18	43	54	40
Bristol R	38	9	11	18	44	66	38
Carlisle	38	9	8	21	34	62	35
Darlington	36	6	15	15	39	61	33
Newport County	39	7	12	20	41	69	33

ARTHURIAN LEAGUE: Premier division: Old Carthusians 4, Old Ardinians 1, Old Cholmeleians 3, Old Brentwoods 3.

BUILDING SCENE EASTERN LEAGUE: Bury 5, Braintree 0; Chatteris 0, Clacton 1; Ely 1, Soham 1; Felixstowe 1, Thetford 1; Gorleston 3, Histon 1; Harwich and Parkeston 2, Sudbury 1; Lowestoft 1, Haverhill 1; Newmarket 3, Watton 2; Tiptree 1, March 2; Wisbech 2, Great Yarmouth 1.

ESSEX LEAGUE: Harry Fisher Memorial Cup: Semi-final: Woodford 0, Witham 0 (aet). League Cup: Semi-final, second leg: Purfleet 0, East Thurrock 0. Senior division: Bowers 2, Brightlingsea 0; Canvey Island 3, Ford 1; Halstead 1, Eton Manor 1; Sawbridgworth 2, East Ham 3; Stansted 2, Chelmsford 4.

GREAT MILLS LEAGUE: Premier division: Clandown 0, Saltash 1; Chippenham 1, Dawlish 1; Clevedon 3, Plymouth Argyle 0; Exmouth 0, Mangotsfield 3; Frome 3, Barnstaple 1; Minehead 0, Bristol Manor Farm 5; Taunton 2, Liskeard 0; Torrington 2, Paulton 3; Weston-super-Mare 2, Melksham 2. Postponed: Chard v Bideford.

HALLS BREWERY HELLENIC LEAGUE: Premier division: Bicester 0, Supermarine 0; Fairford 1, Abingdon United 1; Hounslow 0, Shortwood 2; Reyners Lane 0, Moreton 3; Sharpness 3, Morris Motors 3; Thame 0, Abingdon Town 1; Viking 2, Yate 1.

LONDON SPARTAN LEAGUE: League Cup: Third round replay: Southwark 2, Barkingside 1 (aet). Semi-final: Brimsdown 1, Waltham Abbey 0. Premier division: Amersham 1, Edgeware 0; Beckton 5, Corinthian Casuals 1; Crown and Manor 0, Northwood 1; Redhill 3, Pegham 1; Ulysses 0, Southgate 5; Yeading 8, Danson 0.

Fourth division

Aldershot	1	Wrexham	0
Cambridge Utd	1	Swansea	0
Cardiff	1	Preston	1
Crewe	1	Lincoln	2
Exeter	2	Halifax	2
Hereford	1	Stockport	2
Rochdale	0	Wolverhampton	3
Scunthorpe	3	Southend	0
Torquay	0	Hartlepool	1
Tranmere	1	Peterborough	1

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Northampton	38	27	7	5	90	40	88
Preston	38	22	9	7	60	38	75
Southend	38	21	5	12	58	45	68
Wolverhampton	40	19	7	14	57	47	64
Peterborough	40	16	12	12	55	45	60
Aldershot	39	17	9	13	53	46	60
Colchester	40	18	6	16	58	52	60
Orient	40	16	9	15	51	53	57
Cambridge Utd	38	15	11	13	55	50	56
Exeter	40	11	20	9	48	40	53
Swansea	38	15	10	13	48	47	55
Wrexham	37	12	15	10	57	44	51
Cardiff	38	11	15	12	36	42	48
Scunthorpe	38	12	11	15	60	53	47
Crewe	40	11	13	16	59	63	46
Tranmere	39	10	14	15	49	53	44
Lincoln	39	11	11	17	41	55	44
Halifax	39	12	8	19	53	68	44
Hereford	39	11	10	18	52	53	43
Hartlepool	39	9	16	13	37	51	43
Stockport	37	10	10	17	34	57	40
Torquay	38	8	15	15	44	58	39
Burnley	38	9	11	18	44	66	38
Rochdale	37	6	16	15	37	60	34

Yesterday

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Gilbert, McPherson — 6,711

WESSEX LEAGUE: Bashley 4, Steyning 0; Brockenhurst 1, Thatcham 4; Eastleigh 3, Romsey 0; Havant 0, Road Sea 0; Horndean 0, Portsmouth RN 1; Portals 0, Lymington 2; Sholing 0, Newport 0; Totton 5, Wellworthy 0;

DRYBROUGHS NORTHERN LEAGUE: First division: Bishop Auckland 5, Penrose 1; South Bank 2, Crook 3; Spennymoor 3, Consett 0. All other matches postponed.

NORTHERN COUNTIES EAST LEAGUE: Premier division: Armthorpe 1, Denaby 1; Emley 2, Brigg 0; Long Eaton 3, Gusseley 0; Ponsefract 3, Harrogate 0; Thackley 1, Sutton Town 1. Postponed: Bentley VW v Alfreton; Bridlington v Boston; Farsley v Belper; North Ferriby v Eastwood.

BASS NORTH WEST COUNTIES LEAGUE: First division: Accrington Stanley 1, Fleetwood 3, Bootle 1, Leek 1; Cirtherce 1, Curzon Ashton 1; Eastwood Hanley 0, Burscough 0; Glossop 0, St Helens 3; Leyland Motors 3, Irlam 0; Stalybridge 2, Penrith 0. Postponed: Radcliffe v Netherfield; Rossendale v Kirkby.

SOUTH EAST COUNTIES LEAGUE: First division: Chelsea 1, Charlton 1; Ipswich 3, Queens Park Rangers 1; Millwall 5, Fulham 0; West Ham 0, Norwich 0; Portsmouth 3, Gillingham 1. Second division: Luton 1, Wimbledon 1; Oxford United 3, Bristol Rovers 0; Reading 0, Brentford 1; Southend 1, Crystal Palace 3; Bournemouth 1, Northampton 1. Postponed: Brighton v Tottenham.

SUSSEX COUNTY LEAGUE: First division: Burgess Hill 2, Wick 2; Eastbourne Town 2, Midhurst and Easebourne 2; Littlehampton 0, Haywards Heath 1; Peacehaven and Telscombe 2, Arundel 2; Portfield 0, Hailsham 0; Whitehawk 1, Three Bridges 0.

Scottish premier division

Aberdeen	1	Clydebank	1
Hibernian	1	Celtic	4

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Rangers	39	27	6	6	75	22	60
Celtic	40	26	8	6	85	36	60
Aberdeen	40	19	14	7	56	26	52
Dundee Utd	37	21	9	7	58	30	51
Hearts	38	19	12	7	59	35	50
Dundee	38	14	11	13	56	49	39
St Mirren	39	12	10	17	34	45	34
Motherwell	39	10	11	18	41	57	31
Hibernian

GOLF

Woosnam true to his word with masterly Jersey Open success

By Mel Webb

Ian Woosnam kept his promise as he claimed victory and with it a purse of more than £16,000 in the Jersey Open championship at windswept La Moye yesterday with a total of 279, nine under par.

The diminutive Ryder Cup player, aged 29, who had left the course after the first day threatening to prove the organizers of the US Masters wrong in not inviting him to play in Augusta, made his clubs do the talking as he won by a shot from Bill Malley, of the United States, with José María Cañizares, of Spain, and David A Russell a further stroke behind.

Woosnam's final round of 72 was not without its alarms. He went to the turn in 35, but with the pack closing in, needed to hole a pressure putt of eight feet for a birdie at the 16th and another of 30ft at the 17th to lose only one shot to par after fluffing his chip shot

"That was very satisfying," said a relieved Woosnam. "It would have been nice to have been asked to play in the Masters, but victory here was the next best thing. Now I've got to keep on winning and show them what they are missing over there."

Malley, out of contention for much of the day, looked to have blown his chances altogether when he dropped shots at the 11th and 12th. But then a run of four birdies in the last six holes saw him in with a round of 70 and a cheque for £10,760, his best pay day in Europe.

Russell and Mark Mouland, Woosnam's fellow Welshman, went into the last round tied for the lead, but the challenge of both men started to crumble after the turn. Russell duck-hooked his drive into heavy rough at the tenth and had to hack out before going through the green and taking three putts for a three-over-par seven.

For Mouland the disintegration was even more complete. Reaching the turn in 37, only two shots behind Woosnam, he lost a shot to par on the tenth, but that was nothing compared with what befell him on the next hole, the 497-yard par-five 11th. He had a plugged lie in the rough off the tee, and took four increasingly desperate shots to get out. He had taken six shots by the time he reached the green, and after three putts, he was in for nine; that meant that in the space of a few miserable minutes he found himself seven shots off the pace. He had birdies on the next two holes — but by then it was too late.

LEADING FINAL SCORES (GB unless stated): 279: I Woosnam, 69, 74, 67, 71. 280: W Malley (US), 69, 72, 69, 70. 281: J-M Cañizares (Sp), 68, 74, 67, 71; D A Russell, 69, 67, 71, 74. 282: S Torrance, 70, 72, 71, 69; B Gallacher, 71, 67, 73, 71. 283: A Forsbrand (Swe), 72, 70, 74, 68; A Murray, 70, 69, 73, 71; D J Russell, 68, 71, 72, 72. 284: C O'Connor, 70, 68, 76, 70; D Curnan, 71, 68, 70, 75. 285: L Jones, 70, 69, 75, 71; M Pinson, 71, 69, 74, 71; J O'Leary, 70, 71, 72, 72; R Rafferty, 68, 69, 73, 75; M Mouland, 69, 71, 67, 78. 286: R Chapman, 74, 71, 71, 70; P Walton, 70, 69, 76, 71; M Allen (US), 71, 69, 75, 71; M McLean, 67, 70, 73, 76; P Mitchell, 73, 67, 72, 74. 287: G Taylor (Aus), 70, 73, 74, 70; P Baker, 71, 73, 73, 70; R Boxall, 75, 70, 71, 71; D Llewellyn, 70, 75, 71, 71; S Bennett, 73, 70, 71, 73. 288: M Persson (Swe), 69, 71, 76, 72; G Ralph, 72, 70, 74, 73; D Smyth, 69, 68, 77, 74; W Humphreys, 71, 68, 75, 74; M King, 65, 76, 73, 74; M Martin (Sp), 70, 72, 72, 74.

Brotherly success lifts Merchiston

By John Hennessy

Merchiston gained their third victory in the Halford Hewitt tournament at Royal Cinque Ports yesterday. Tonbridge, for the moment, must be satisfied with having reached the final for the first time after securing a place in the last four in 1985 and in 1986. Natural progression should give them some hope for next year or the year after, though that must have seemed small comfort after Merchiston had beaten them by 3½ points to 1½.

The winners included the Zuill brothers. Stewart, who had played right through the tournament, and his elder brother, Morison, who had been flown down from Scotland the day before as a reinforcement. Stewart Zuill played in the top match at the side of Harry Thomson, one of another pair of brothers in the Merchiston team, and they confirmed their reputation as formidable finishers.

When Clay missed from five feet to leave Tonbridge only one up, Merchiston took a firm grip of the match. Thomson particularly displayed all the arts of links golf and, with Clay at odds with his putter, Merchiston won three holes in succession. A marvellous putt by Thomson from off the 17th green, up hill and down dale, to within five feet took them home.

Cowan and Lawson, meanwhile, were taking a firm grip of their match, so that when Laird and Morison Zuill came onto the 17th tee one up, Tonbridge's position was parlous. The alarm bells were still to ring for Merchiston, and Tonbridge never looked like getting the three they needed to stay alive.

RESULTS: Third round: Rossall 3, Cheltenham 2; Stonyhurst 3, Oundle 2; Bradfield 3, Blundell's 2; Tonbridge 3½, King's Canterbury 1½; Shrewsbury 3½, Felsted 1½; Charterhouse 3, Watsons 2. Fourth round: Merchiston 3½, Repton 1½; Rossall 5, Stonyhurst 0; Tonbridge 4, Bradfield 1; Charterhouse 3, Shrewsbury 2. Semi-finals: Merchiston 3, Rossall 2; Tonbridge 3, Charterhouse 2. Final: Merchiston 3½, Tonbridge 1½ (Merchiston first: S Zuill and H Thomson bt G Clay and N Kemp, 2 and 1; G Barclay and J McMillan lost to J Craven and T Jenkins, 7 and 6; B Laird and M Zuill bt S Ellis and J Lloyd, 1 hole; C Cowan and R Lawson bt J Spurling and M Yates; S Briggs and D Thomson halved with D King and P Saggers).

SQUASH RACKETS



Defeat brewing: Norman (right) cannot overcome Jansher (Photograph: Hugh Routledge)

Jansher flexes his muscles

By Colin McQuillan

English hopes of success in the Hi-Tech British Open championships faded at Wembley yesterday when Philip Kenyon and Lisa Opie fell to the Australians. Chris Dittmar and Liz Irving, but the partisan crowd changed disappointment for unabashed enthusiasm when Jansher Khan, aged 17 and the junior world champion, defeated Ross Norman, the world champion and second seed here, 9-7, 2-9, 5-9, 9-3, 9-6 in 95 minutes.

Jansher announced his improved senior presence when taking a game last month from his Pakistani countryman, Jahangir Khan, the world No. 1, in the final of the Spanish Open. In this tournament Jansher defeated Gawain Briars, of England, in the third round and showed enough speed and shot invention to threaten such an upset.

Dittmar dented nationalistic hopes by humiliating Kenyon 9-0, 9-1, 9-1 in 29 minutes, then Miss Irving completed the treatment by ousting Miss Opie, the British champion, 10-8, 9-0, 6-9, 10-8 in 56 minutes.

Dittmar is a former Australian junior champion and Drysdale Cup winner who was ranked second in the world and in hot pursuit of Jahangir Khan, the world No. 1, when a bad fall while training with his local football team in Adelaide displaced his knee ligaments. He is six months into a comeback. Dittmar's movement against Kenyon was superb, almost faultless, and his inch-perfect placement of the ball drew gasps of admiration.

"I thought I was not playing so well at the front of the court," Dittmar insisted. "Some of my drop shots were a foot high, but the rest of my game was working."

Miss Irving, aged 22, tasted a special triumph. "Lisa beat me 9-7 in the fifth to take the Australian Open final from me last autumn," she said, "so it was nice to hit back on her home territory."

The two women used to be close friends but there is little love lost between them in these days of tough professional opposition.

RESULTS: Men: singles: Third round: R Norman (NZ) bt G Williams (GB), 8-9, 9-5, 9-3; Jansher Khan (Pak) bt G Briars (GB), 9-3, 9-0, 8-10, 9-10, 9-5; P Kenyon (GB) bt B Beeson (GB), 2-9, 9-7, 4-9, 9-1, 9-3. Quarter-finals: C Dittmar (Aus) bt Kenyon, 9-0, 9-1, 9-1; Jansher Khan (Pak) bt R Norman (Aus), 9-7, 2-9, 5-9, 9-3, 9-6. Women: Singles: Third round: L Opie (GB) bt D Dradey (Aus), 9-1, 9-4, 9-2; L Irving (Aus) bt C Kennewell (Aus), 9-6, 9-0, 8-9, 4-9, 9-3. L Soutter (GB) bt M Martin (Aus), 9-1, 9-1, 9-0. Quarter-finals: Irving bt Opie, 10-8, 9-0, 6-9, 10-8; Soutter bt A Cummings (GB), 9-5, 4-9, 4-9, 9-0, 9-5.

TENNIS

Telford pay a high price for Fulwood trip to Martinique

By Rex Bellamy, Tennis Correspondent

Heston Fiat won the £20,000 first prize in the inaugural Mortgage Corporation National League competition by beating Telford Courage in yesterday's final at the David Lloyd club at Heston. Telford were short of both their leading players. Alan Durban, Telford's manager, was particularly angry about the absence of Nick Fulwood.

The usual Telford No. 1, Gianni Ocleppo, was a legitimate absentee because he has a groin injury and is in no condition to dash about a tennis court. Fulwood should have moved up to top place but happened to be playing a tournament in Martinique, where he had reached the doubles final. Fulwood could not get back to England in time but in Durban's opinion Fulwood should not have been involved playing doubles in Martinique rather than singles at Heston.

John Feaver, director of the new league, said the question of Fulwood's absence from the final would probably be the first item on the agenda when the team managers and other interested parties met in the next week or so to hold an inquest on this highly successful first season — a success unfortunately marred by the absence of Ocleppo and Fulwood from yesterday's final, which inevitably became a non-event after the stimulating contest of earlier weeks.

Britain's national champion, Stuart Bale, got Heston off the mark with a 6-3 win over John Paish, a former British Davis Cup player who retired long ago but had to return to active service yesterday at the age of 39. This was Paish's first competitive singles match for two years and in the circumstances he was not disgraced. This was simply a case of a young full-time player proving to be too strong and sharp for a much older full-time coach.

To some extent the contrast between player and coach also applied to the second match, in which John Lloyd beat Chris Bradnam 6-2, Lloyd has not been away from first class competition long enough to have lost his edge. He played a fine set yesterday against a player who, like Paish, has in recent years been accustomed to coaching and encouraging opponents rather than beating them.

Heston's third win came when Nick Brown beat Leslie Davies 6-2. Brown was too good and too wise for Davies, who was drafted into the Telford team at a late hour. Davies is the Shropshire champion but that is not quite the class of player needed for a competition of this standard.

Heston achieved an impregnable lead when, in the top singles match, Peter Fleming won 6-3 against Mike Walker, who is probably the most promising of Britain's present Davis Cup team.

Walker has a powerful service and a wealth of impressive shots but he has yet to learn how to play them in disciplined and productive sequences. At present he is tantalizingly close to becoming a very good player but he will probably need some good advice if he is to take the next step up the ladder.

RESULTS: Heston Fiat bt Telford Courage 5-0 (Heston names first): S Bale bt J Paish, 6-3; J Lloyd bt C Bradnam, 6-2; P Fleming bt M Walker, 6-3; N Brown bt L Davies, 6-2; Fleming and Lloyd bt Walker and Bradnam, 7-5.

Feast of McEnroe

From Richard Evans, Dallas

In the 17-year history of the WCT Dallas finals, few matches have sustained the level of excellence created by John McEnroe and Stefan Edberg here in the semi-finals.

Happily for an event that is struggling to maintain relevance in a changing world, a 16,000 crowd savoured the feast of breathtaking serve and volley play that saw McEnroe answer a lot of questions about the state of his game by winning 7-6, 6-7, 7-6, 6-4.

In the other semi-final, Miloslav Mecir struggled for over three hours to overcome the aggressive top spin attack from Andres Gomez, of Equador, eventually winning 6-7, 7-6, 6-4, 6-2.

By then it was well past midnight and if the audience had dwindled it was hardly surprising. McEnroe and Edberg had been a hard act to follow.

The pressures created by the tie-break were amply illustrated in the first set when eight out of eleven tie-break points went against serve after neither player had managed to reach break point in the set. McEnroe was the first drop serve, but struck back immediately with a couple of superb cross-court winners off the forehand and a blocked backhand service return that streaked up Edberg's line.

Tension remained taut until McEnroe suddenly strung together ten points and received rapturous acclaim from an audience that had supported him throughout.

BOWLS

Norfolk go one better this year

By Gordon Allan

Norfolk improved on their runners-up position of last year when they won the Prudential Liberty Trophy county championship at Hartlepool yesterday, beating Middlesex by 132 shots to 77. They were never in danger of being overtaken. Brian Taylor's rink finished 32-6 up on George Hayward, Tom Kelly 21-8 up on Reg Paine and Trevor Webb 23-11 up on Gerry Smyth.

Tony Allcock won the English singles championship for the second time on Saturday, beating Nigel Smith in the final. Allcock says David Bryant once told him that the singles game should mature like good wine. If that is true, Allcock's performances indoors are now vintage quality.

Smith bowled well enough to have beaten almost anybody except Allcock, whose drawing power, weight control and tactical appreciation are exemplary. With two counts of four going to Allcock the match was over in little more than an hour.

Steve Halmai and Gerry Smyth beat Graham Standley and Andy Ross in the pairs final.

RESULTS: Singles: semi-finals: A Allcock (Cotswold) 21, J Evans (Torbay) 7; N Smith (Wey Valley) 21, N Burrows (Bowlers Manchester) 15. Final: Allcock 21, Smith 10.

Pairs: semi-finals: Longmeadow (G Standley, A Ross) 18, Isis (G Harrington, S Beackon) 17; Paddington (S Halmai, G Smyth) 17, Cambridge Park (C Yelland, W Richards) 16. Final: Paddington 17, Longmeadow 13. Liberty Trophy final: Norfolk 132, Middlesex 77 (Norfolk skips first: G Duns 16, W Richards 18; B Taylor 32, G Hayward 6; T Webb 23, G Smith 11; D Ward 24, J Chapman 16; T Kelly 21, R Paine 8; J George 16, S Halmai 18).

● While the EIBA Prudential National championships were in progress at Hartlepool, the rival code, the EBF, were completing theirs at Erewash in Long Eaton (David Rhys Jones writes). Many bowlers in the east belong to both codes, and some men were involved in both events.

RESULTS: EBF championships: Derbyshire team trophy: Durham 173, N Cambridgeshire 103. Evensley team trophy: Derbyshire 99, North Cambridgeshire 81. Fred Fossitt pairs: B Evans and J Cleverley (Northumberland) 21, P Hammond and E Bannock (Huntingdonshire) 14. Jubilee Rinks: F Cleaver, D Goodson, D Boone, 16. R Croxford, T Merrell, C Ayers 14.

CRICKET

Last-gasp Walsall

By Martin Searby

Walsall became the first winners of the Foster's Indoor League in Manchester yesterday when they took the trophy and £2,000 first prize after beating the outsiders Hounslow.

Orme and Mahmood restored Walsall's fortunes after a dreadful start which saw half a dozen wickets fall at a cost of five runs in the first seven overs, whereas Hounslow, despite splendid fielding, were unable to recover after making only five runs from eight overs in pursuit of 67 for victory. However, the excitement of the occasion too often blurred good judgement and many batsmen committed themselves to trying to lash the cover off the ball when a push into the gap would have sufficed.

Walsall met Sheffield in the first of the semi-finals and the Yorkshire team had a disastrous 11th over which saw them lose three wickets. The other semi-final went much the same way, and Ipswich found Hounslow's 58 well beyond them.

RESULTS: Semi-finals: Walsall 78, Sheffield 29; Hounslow 58, Ipswich 28. Final: Walsall 66, Hounslow 45.

Bracewell brilliant

Galle, Sri Lanka. (Reuter) — John Bracewell, the off-spinner, returned career best figures of eight for 81 on the second day of New Zealand's opening tour match against the Sri Lankan Board President's XI yesterday. He troubled all the batsmen in a stint of 33.2 overs.

The President's XI were dismissed for 204 to trail by 31 runs on first innings. The New Zealanders had extended that advantage by one run at the close. The touring team's lead would have been more substantial but for a last-wicket stand of 54.

SCORES: New Zealanders, 235 (J J Crowe 58, I D S Smith 54; Athula Samarasekera, 3 for 32) and 1 for no wkt; Sri Lanka Board President's XI, 204 (Athula Samarasekera 46, P A de Silva 38; J G Bracewell, 8 for 81).

RUGBY LEAGUE

Swinton end season with a flourish

By Keith Macklin

Swinton marched into next season's first division in style, comfortably beating the improved Carlisle 35-16 despite a strong second-half fightback by the Cumbrians. Swinton scored four tries, two of them from the speedy Bate, to take a 21-0 lead at half-time, and comfortably absorbed Carlisle's 16-point second half revival.

As Swinton prepare to move up, barring some miraculous scoring feats by Whitehaven, the battle continues at the relegation end of division one. Leigh won a stunningly unexpected 54-12 victory at Oldham, scoring nine tries and nine goals, and this result must mark the end of the reign of Frank Myler as Oldham coach. Hull and Widnes both lost and stay in trouble, but Hull gave the champions Wigan a terrific battle, in more senses than one, before losing 18-12. Edwards scored two tries and Hanley another for Wigan. Widnes continued their disastrous sequence, losing their eighth game in a row 20-0 against the challenge cup finalists Halifax.

In the chase for second place Warrington hammered Hull Kingston Rovers 38-0, Drummond getting two tries, but St Helens missed chances and lost ground in an 18-4 defeat at Bradford. Terry Holmes had another excellent game for Northern, first at loose forward then at scrum half when Harkin was injured.

Castleford kept in touch with the leaders by winning at Leeds, and Featherstone Rovers prepared to leave the first division in memorable manner, thrashing another side due for the drop, Barrow 66-14.

In the second division Whitehaven did their best to overhaul Swinton, trouncing Dewsbury 50-12, and Doncaster kept up their rush for a premiership place with a 36-18 win over Huddersfield.

RESULTS: Stones Bitter championship: Bradford 18, St Helens 4; Featherstone 66, Barrow 14; Halifax 20, Widnes 0; Hull 12, Wigan 18; Leeds 8, Castleford 16; Oldham 12, Leigh 54; Warrington 38, Hull KR 0. Second division: Batley 4, Hunslet 34; Carlisle 16, Swinton 35; Doncaster 36, Huddersfield 18; Fulham 12, Mansfield 20; Whitehaven 50, Dewsbury 12; Workington 25, Rochdale 18; York 24, Blackpool 14.

CYCLING

Vanderaerden in a sprint

Roubaix (AFP) — Eric Vanderaerden overtook three riders in the last five kilometres to win the 85th Paris to Roubaix classic — known as the Hell of the North — yesterday. Vanderaerden's win was Belgium's first in the race since Roger De Vlaeminck led home two other Belgians in 1977.

Three of Vanderaerden's compatriots appeared to be ready to contest the sprint when Vanderaerden, aged 25, surged. Sean Kelly, of Ireland, lost his chance for a third win in four years because of tyre failure.

RESULTS: Paris to Roubaix (264km; 165 miles): 1, E Vanderaerden (Bel), The 18min 36sec; 2, P Versluys (Bel), same time; 3, R Dhaenens (Bel), same time; 4, J-P Vandenbrande (Bel), .02 behind; 5, E Van Hooydonck (Bel), 1:54; 6, B Wojtinek (Fr), 2:37.

GYMNASTICS

Britons claim silver medals

By Peter Aykroyd

Andrew Morris and Lisa Elliott, the British champions, captured the silver medals at the 10-nation Vitalite Champions All tournament at Wembley on Saturday, the first time in the 18-year history of the competition that two Britons have achieved silver together.

Morris repeated his feat of last year after defeating the early leader, Fang Min of China, in the men's competition.

RESULTS: Men: 1, Z Borkai (Hung), 58.92; 2, A Morris (GB), 55.90; 3, Fang Min (Chin), 55.85; 4, A Kravtsov (USSR), 54.90; 5, E Kawamura (Jap), 54.30; 6, D Simpson (GB), 53.90. Women: 1, G Voinea (Rom), 38.65; 2, L Elliott (GB), 38.40; 3, B Stoyanova (Bul), 38.00; 4, Yang Yanli (Chin), 37.80; 5, T Groshkova (USSR), 37.75; 6, K Hargate (GB), 37.70.

SHOW JUMPING

American triumph a Natural

From Jenny MacArthur
Paris

Katharine Burdsall, from New York, yesterday became the seventh rider from the United States to win the Volvo World Cup in the nine-year history of the competition. Miss Burdsall's victory — after a battle of nerves in yesterday's final round with the French rider, Philippe Rozier, on Malesan Jiva — came on Paul Greenwood's Hanoverian gelding, The Natural, whose jumping throughout this week over Philippe Gayot's challenging courses has justified both the horse's name and the $1m which Mr Greenwood, a New York businessman, paid for him a year ago.

Britain's hopes, which had looked doomed after Friday's second leg, were salvaged by John Whitaker on Next Milton who, rallying somewhat late in the day, were the only competitors to have two clear rounds in yesterday's two-part final round. Their superb performance lifted them from 13th to fifth place.

His younger brother, Michael, remained in 10th place on Warren Point after four faults in each round and Nick Skelton had his faith in the promising young Raffles J Nick confirmed when he rode to twelfth place.

The competition produced a fittingly tense finish. By the end of the first round Rozier had taken over the lead from Miss Burdsallbut in the shorter second round Rozier had the pressure of going last and Miss Burdsall increased that with a calm, clear round. Needing to go clear to win Rozier hit the penultimate fence.

VOLVO WORLD CUP: 1, The Natural (K Burdsall, US), 4.50 faults; 2, Malesan Jiva (P Rozier, Fr), 7.50; 3, For The Moment (L Jacquin, US), 8; 4, Next Dexter (P Schockemöhle, WG), 11.25; 5=, Big Ben (I Millar, Can), Next Milton (J Whitaker, GB), 12; 7, Jappeloup de Luz (P Durand, Fr), 12.5; 8, So Dark (J Mc Connell, US), 16; 9, Windsor (H Simon, Austria), 18; 10, Next Warren Point (M Whitaker, GB), 19.25; 11, Apache IV (T Royeroft, Aus), 21.75; 12, Raffles J Nick (N Skelton, GB), 24.

ROWING

Fiasco wrecks Head of River

The Scullers Head of the River Race on Saturday produced an unexpected win for Nick Burfitt of Imperial College, who started 329th. But the event can only be described as a fiasco (Richard Burnell writes).

Apparently overlooking British summertime, the organizers started the race an hour earlier than intended so that the leaders, headed by the Olympic gold medallist, Steve Redgrave, started before the ebb tide had gathered strength. Redgrave finished 11th, and seven of the first 12 places were filled by scullers who started between 329 and 347, with the tide at its height.

A number of starters were absent at their scheduled start times in order to wait for faster conditions, but were not penalized.

RESULTS: 1, N Burfitt (Imperial Coll RC), 21min 03sec; 2, R Henderson (Lea RC), 21:09; 3, J Hopkins (Lea RC), 21:10. Lightweight: 1, F O'Toole (Tideway Scullers), 21:11. Women: 1, G Bond (Civil Service), 21:53.

FOR THE RECORD

ATHLETICS

BELFAST: Pearl Assurance half-marathon: Men: 1, T Greene (Belfast Olympics), 62min 52sec; 2, J Curtis (Dunore), 63:04; 3, T Mitchinson (Tipton), 63:21. Women: 1, R Lamb (Knocklondge) 76min 57sec; 2, E Dowling (Dublin City), 78:09; 3, M Brayley (Dublin City), 78:56.

SEOUL: World Cup marathon: Men: 1, Ahmed Saleh (Djibouti), 2hr 10min 53sec; 2, T Kodama (Japan), 2:11:23; 3, S Betsiol (It), 2:11:26; 4, S Nicosia (It), 2:12:13; 5, O Fausani (It) 2:12:57; 6, S A Sakri (Alg), 2:13:29. British placings: 20, D Long, 2:15:04; 22, T Robertson, 2:15:07. Teams: 1, Italy, 6:36:38; 2, Japan 6:39:23; 3, France 6:43:46. B, Britain, 6:47:54. Women: 1, Z Ivanova (USSR), 2:30:39; 2, M Lakit (Fr), 2:31:27; 3, K Dorre (GD), 2:31:30; 4, T Gndreeva (USSR), 2:31:58; 5, E Ekramenkova (USSR), 2:32:04; 6, K Mi-kyung (S Kor), 2:32:40.

BARNSLEY: Yorkshire half-marathon championships: 1, C Thackery (Hallamshire), 61min 04sec; 2, C Moore (Bingley), 65:24; 3, T Fieldsend (Sheffield), 65:45.

ABINGDON: Half-marathon: 1, R Harris (Oxford City) 1hr 7min 21sec; 2, C Bould (Highgate H) 1:7:29; 3, L Matthews (Oxford University) 1:7:34. Veteran: 1, D Parsons (Oxford City) 1:12:28. Teams: Oxford City 21pts; women: 1, S Walters (Oxford City) 1:30:51; 2, S Hales (Dartford H) 1:22:58; 3, M Penny (Westbury H) 1:23:18.

KETTERING: (10m): 1, P Estes (Windsor) 52:08; 2, P Filer (Orion) 52:50; 3, Cowie (Oadby) 54:01. Teams: 1, Northampton 29pts. Veteran: 1, T Kearns (Kettering) 54:40. Women: (3m): 1, M Brown (Leicester) 17:56; 2, H Anslow (Telford) 17:57; 3, W Garford (Cambridge) 18:28. Team: 1, Cambridge and Coleridge 15pts.

BOXING

BOLOGNA: Heavyweight world eliminator: (10 rounds): F Damiani (It) bt J Broad (US), pts.

BADMINTON

NANKING: China Open: Men's Semi-finals: (Chinese unless stated): Xiaobing Guotong bt J Pierhoff (Den), 15-12, 15-7; Zhao Jianhua bt Liu Tao 15-8, 15-4. Final: Zhao bt Xiboing, 15-10, 8-15, 15-6.

Doubles semi-finals: Li Yongbo and Tian Bingyi bt Sawai Chanseorasmee and Sakrapee Thongsari (Thai), 15-12, 15-7; Zhang Qiang and Zhou Jincan bt Zhang Qingwu and Zheng Yumin 15-11, 15-9. Final: Li and Tian bt Zhang Zhou, 15-10, 15-6.

Women: Semi-finals: Han Aiping bt Zheng Yuli 11-7, 11-4; Li Lingwei bt Tang Juhong 11-6, 11-6. Final: Li bt Han, 6-11, 11-5, 12-10.

Doubles semi-finals: Lin Ying and Guan Weizhen bt Zheng Jian and Ruan Xiaoqing 15-5, 15-3; Wu Jianqiu and Lao Yueng bt G Clark and G Gowers (GB), 15-4, 15-10. Final: Lin and Guan bt Wu and Lao, 15-5, 15-2. Mixed doubles semi-finals: Zhou and Lin bt B Gilliland and Gowers (GB), 8-15, 15-8, 15-8; He Shanquan and Xie Yulen bt Wu Chibing and Liang Yu, 15-10, 15-10. Final: Zhou and Lin bt He and Xie, 15-11, 15-1.

SNOOKER

BRADFORD: Matchroom League: A Meo (Eng) bt J White (Eng), 7-1.

SPEEDWAY

NATIONAL LEAGUE: Eastbourne 52 (M Dugard 12, A Buck 11, G Kennett 10, K Pritchard 10), Peterborough 26 (N Flatman 6).

SWIMMING

LEEDS: European Community championships: Men: 1, Hamburg 140pts; 2, Dolphins Toulouse 137; 3, Amersfoort 115; 4, City of Leeds, Montjuich (Barcelona) 107; 6, Dinot (Milan) 104. Women: 1, CP Cecny 137; 2, Hamburg 131; 3, Haemstede 130; 4, AS Roma 122; 5, Stockport Metro 116; 6, Sedding-Guldegaar 99.

BASEBALL

UNITED STATES: American League: Friday: Boston Red Sox3, Toronto Blue Jays0; Detroit Tigers 11, Chicago White Sox4; Baltimore Orioles 12, Cleveland Indians 11; Milwaukee Brewers 11, Texas Rangers 8; Kansas City Royals 13, New York Yankees 1; Minnesota Twins 12, Seattle Mariners 1; California Angels6, Oakland Athletics4. Saturday: Toronto Blue Jays 11, Boston Red Sox 1; Baltimore Orioles 7, Cleveland Indians 3; New York Yankees 15, Kansas City Royals 2; California Angels 6, Oakland Athletics 3; Detroit Tigers 7, Chicago White Sox 1; Milwaukee Brewers 8, Texas Rangers 6; Seattle Mariners8, Minnesota Twins3. National League: Friday: Pittsburgh Pirates 3, St Louis Cardinals 2; Cincinnati Reds 6, San Diego Padres 3; New York Mets 6, Atlanta Braves 3; Chicago Cubs4, Philadelphia Phillies 3; Houston Astros8, Montreal Expos 1; San Francisco Giants 5, Los Angeles Dodgers 1; Saturday: Cincinnati Reds 5, San Diego Padres 1; St Louis Cardinals 6, Pittsburgh Pirates3; Los Angeles Dodgers5, San Francisco Giants 1; Atlanta Braves 4, New York Mets 3; Chicago Cubs 9, Philadelphia Phillies 1; Houston Astros 3, Montreal Expos 2.

BASKETBALL

National Association: (NBA): Friday: Atlanta Hawks 101, Detroit Pistons 99; New Jersey Nets 117, Boston Celtics 106; Philadelphia 76ers86, Chicago Bulls 79 (OT); Indiana Pacers115, Washington Bullets 101; Milwaukee Bucks 132, New York Knicks 93; Utah Jazz106, Denver Nuggets 103, Los Angeles Lakers 131, San Antonio Spurs 121; Portland Trail Blazers127, Seattle Super Sonics 115. Saturday: Houston Rockets 113, Denver Nuggets105; Milwaukee Bucks 121, Cleveland Cavaliers 93; Phoenix Suns 136, San Antonio Spurs 116; Dallas Mavericks 129, Los Angeles Clippers 100; Golden State Warriors 124, Sacramento Kings 118.

CYCLING

TOUR OF DELWYN: Pro-ass: (101m): 1, J McLoughlin (Hallords), 3:56:43; 2, M Ellis (Hallords), same time, 3, G Lillywhite (Hallords), at 34sec. King of the Mountains: A Crowshaw (CC Bowland).

WINCANTON WHEELS CP: (104m): 1, S Farrell (GS Strada) 4:24:32; 2, D Webster (Manchester Wh); 3, P Longbottom (Manchester Wh), same time. King of the Mountains: S Farrell (GS Strada).

CONISBROUGH (VANHOE) (25m): 1, G Watts (Horwich CC), 57:40. Team: Mapperley CC 3:1:11.

BROOK WHEELERS: (25m): 1, M Bradshaw (GS Metro), 57:7. Team: Leeds Wellington 3.2.17.

WARWICKSHIRE RC (25m): 1, G Chapman (Solihull), 58:48. Team: Solihull 3:2:41.

BURTON DISTRICT: (25m): 1, G Wharton (Nottingham Clarion), 55:51. Team: Nottingham Clarion 2:54:19.

WEST CHESHIRE: (25m): 1, P Newton (Birkenhead), 9:59:41. Team: Birkenhead 3:5:7.

CYMCAIRN PARAGON: (25m): 1, P Vincent (Polytechnic CC), 54:53.

DIVING

SOFIA: European Cup: Springboard finals: Men: 1, A Gladchenko (USSR); 2, H Winskowski (GG); 3, A Kilet (WG). Women: 1, H Gracka (GG); 2, B Baklus (EG); 3, T Gadun (USSR).

RUGBY UNION

HARARE: Second International: Zimbabwe 50, Portugal 9.

CHRISTCHURCH: South Pacific schools championship: New South Wales 25, Canterbury 24.

GOLF

HATTIESBURG: PGA tournament: Third round: (US unless stated): 199: R Wrenn 69, 62, 68. 200: M West 62, 71, 67; J Grygiel 67, 68, 64; T Sills 64, 71, 65; E Dougherty 68, 68, 66. 201: R Zokol 69, 67, 65; T Pernice 65, 68, 67; N Faldo(GB), 67, 67, 67; B Glasson 65, 69, 67; B Bryant 66, 67, 68. 202: S Ebringer (Aus), 72, 63, 67; J McCormick 68, 66, 68; D Waldorf 66, 67, 69.

SAN DIEGO: LPGA women's tournament: Third round: (US unless stated): 205: - Ayako Okamoto (Japan)68-70-69 208: B King 70, 67, 71; P Bradley69, 68, 71. 209: P Sheehan70, 68, 71. 210: D Eggsling 71, 73, 66; P Hammel 68, 70, 72.211: T Fredrickson 67, 72, 72.212: A Alcott 71, 67, 74; K Whitworth 67, 73, 72; L Rosenthal 75, 70, 67.215: J Stephenson (Can) 72, 70, 73. 218: D Coe (Can) 71, 71, 76. 220: J Gratter (Aus)72, 71, 77.

SHINTY

CAMANACHD CUP: Quarter-finals: Kyles Athletic 1, Newtonmore 5; Fort William 3, Oban Camanachd 2; Glenorchy 3, Lovat 2; Oban Celtic 1, Kingussie 4.

BASKETBALL

MELTOWN: IRISH CUP: Semi-final replay: Shamrock Rovers 1, Sligo Rovers 1.

REAL TENNIS

PARIS: Bathurst Cup: Great Britain bt Australia 3-0 (GB first): J Snow bt P Meares, 6-1, 6-1; M Dean bt E Cockran, 6-0, 6-2. Snow and Dean bt Cockran and Meares, 6-3, 6-5, 6-4.

PARIS: Gould-Eddy Cup international amateur doubles, semi-finals: E Cockran (Aus) and M Dean (GB) bt B Sartangue (Fr) and C Chueca (Fr) 6-4, 6-3, P Meares (Aus) and J Snow (GB) bt D Grosdanovich (Fr) and M Keyward (Aus) 6-2, 6-3. Final: Cockran and Dean bt Meares and Snow 6-2, 1-6, 6-2, 6-3.

HOCKEY

PIZZA EXPRESS LONDON LEAGUE: Hounslow 2, Dulwich 1; Reading 5, Chelsea 0; Surbiton 1, Slough 3; Teddington 6, Hampstead 0.

NORWICH UNION EAST LEAGUE: Premier division: Brombourne 2, Brenwood 0.

McEWAN'S LAGER SOUTH LEAGUE: Chichester 0, Indian Gym 2.

CLUB MATCHES: Aldridge 2, Walsall 2; Blowich 3, North Stafford 1; Brinsons 4, Studley 0; Burton 2, Belper 3; Evesham 2, Wheatstone 3; Old Stafford 1, Rugeley 2; Loughborough 3, Ashby 2; Nottingham 0, Wombourne 1; Nuneaton 3, Barton 2; Old Wulfrunians 0, Lichfield 1; Peterborough 5, Beeston 0; Stone 1, Kidderminster 5; Tamworth 0, Leek 1; Wednesbury 2, Chaddesley Corbett 0; Canterbury 2, Old Williamsonians 1; Colchester 2, Chelmsford 2; Croydon MO 1, Orpington 0; Folkestone Optimists 3, Bromley 1; Broxbourne 2, Brentwood 0; Thames Polytechnic 1, South Saxons 0; Weybridge Hawks 1, Worthing 1; Upminster 2, Old Loughtonians 1; West Herts 1, St Albans 1.

WARWICK FESTIVAL: Coventry 3, GEC Coventry 1; Hampton 2, Sihillians 1; Khalsa 6, Rugby 1; Plymouth 0, Olton 1; Warwick 0, Lansdown 0; Stratford 0, Nuneaton 7; Kings Heath 0, Sutton Coldfield 1; Northampton 6, Edgbaston 0; Lansdown 2, Khalsa 3; GEC Coventry 1, Rugby 1; Sihillians 0, Olton 2; Nuneaton 1, Plymouth 1; Northampton 4, Hampton 0; Edgbaston 4, Stratford 2; Coventry 2, Sutton Coldfield 1; Warwick 2, Kings Heath 3.

RACKETS

QUEEN'S CLUB: Celestion Open doubles championship: Semi-finals: J Prenn and J Male bt N Smith (Queen's) and C Pugh, 15-7, 15-6, 15-4, 18-13; W Boone and R Crawley bt M Nicholls and P Nicholls, 4-15, 15-1, 9-15, 15-8, 15-4, 8-15, 15-9. Finals: Prenn and Male bt Boone and Crawley, 15-7, 15-10, 13-16, 9-15, 15-8, 8-15, 15-7.

TODAY'S FIXTURES

7.30 unless stated

FOOTBALL

ROAD FERRY IRISH LEAGUE CUP: Second round: Carrick v Glentoran (6.15); Glenavon v Clitonville (8.15).

IRISH LEAGUE TNT GOLD CUP: Bangor v Portadown (6.30); Distillery v Newry (6.45).

CENTRAL LEAGUE (7.0): Second division: Barnsley v Blackpool; Stoke v York; Preston v Grimsby.

FOOTBALL COMBINATION: Crystal Palace v Brighton (at Tooting and Mitcham FC).

GM VAUXHALL CONFERENCE: Bath v Barnet.

MULTIPART LEAGUE: Caernarfon v Barrow; Horwich v Rhyl; Hyde v Chorley.

NORTHERN PREMIER LEAGUE: President's Cup: Semi-final, second leg (first leg score in brackets): Marine (2) v Burton (1).

SOUTHERN LEAGUE: Premier division: Salisbury v Folkestone; Worcester v Chelmsford.

VAUXHALL-OPEL LEAGUE: Premier division: Bognor v Wycombe; Dulwich v Hitchin; Walthamstow v Barking.

LONDON SPARTAN LEAGUE: Premier division: Crown and Manor v Brimsdown (7.0).

BASS NORTH WEST COUNTIES LEAGUE: First division: Curzon Ashton v Lenk.

SOUTH EAST COUNTIES LEAGUE CUP: Final, second leg (first leg score in brackets): Ipswich (1) v Chelsea (7).

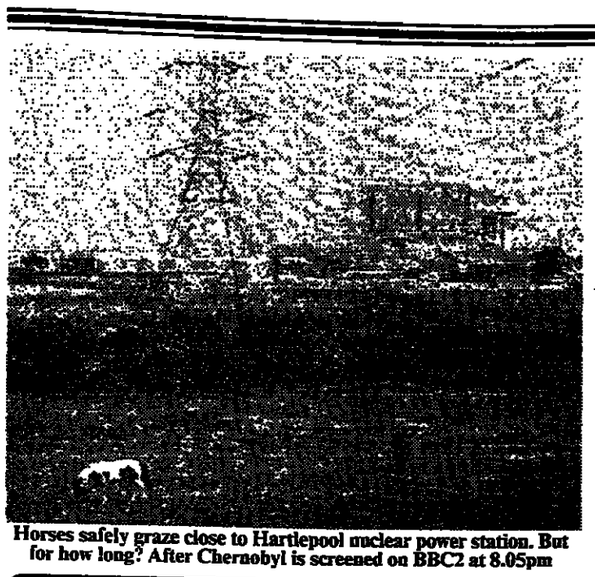
WESSEX LEAGUE: Lymington v Havant.

HOCKEY

WOMEN'S INTERNATIONAL: Wales v South Korea (at Ma

TELEVISION AND RADIO

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Horses safely graze close to Hartlepool nuclear power station. But for how long? After Chernobyl is screened on BBC2 at 8.05pm

Too close for comfort?

● The trouble with the nuclear safety issue is that few of us are experts and we have to rely on what the experts say. And when the experts disagree, there is nothing, except hunch or prejudice, to fall back on. *Horizon's* **After Chernobyl – Closer to Home** (BBC2, 8.05pm) focuses on one British power station, Hartlepool, asking what sort of accidents might take place and how good the emergency plans are. The worst possible disaster envisaged by the Central Electricity Generating Board would mean a negligible radiation hazard to someone standing as near to the station as its perimeter fence. So far, so reassuring. But there have been accidents at the station, the most serious only three weeks ago when a water leak in one of the boilers led to the shutting of both reactors. The programme has been extended to take this into account. As for the emergency plans, they seem curiously complacent. They cover only a one kilometer radius, whereas the West Germans insist on 10. And evacuation depends in part on the effectiveness of police loudhailers. Lord Marshall, chairman of the CEGB, says the one kilometer spread is adequate. But as the station is sited close to the Teesside industrial complex and half a million people, we are entitled to wonder. *Horizon* does not pretend the give the answers but the treatment is responsible and balanced.

Peter Waymark

CHOICE

● *Peter Davalle writes:* I'm sorry for any TV programme, on any channel, that happens to be on screen at 10.15 tonight, because there is powerful, nay irresistible, opposition on Radio 4. H G Wells's **The War of the Worlds** is the granddad of science fiction yarns about extraterrestrial invasion, and the tense way Simon Ward reads it and the stark way John Scotney has adapted it makes it as goose-pimpling to listen to now as it must have been when people first read it in 1898. Wells's most inspired coup de théatre, of course, was to launch his incinerating bug-eyed monsters on something as rurally charming as a turn-of-the-century town in the green heart of Surrey. Modern-day Woking would have deserved such a fate.



Simon Ward: The War of the Worlds, Radio 4, 10.15pm

BBC1

6.00 Ceefax AM.
6.55 Weather.
7.00 Breakfast Time. National and international news at **7.00, 7.30, 8.00** and **8.30**; regional news and travel reports at **7.15, 7.45** and **8.15**; weather at **7.25, 7.55** and **8.25.**
8.40 Watchdog. Lynn Faulds Wood and John Stapleton investigate how readily available to the young are knives and martial arts equipment. **8.55** Regional news and weather
9.00 News and weather **9.05** Dudley Do-Right. Cartoon. (r) **9.10** The Monkees. (r) **9.35** Why Don't You. . . A new series of the entertaining alternative ideas to watching television programme
10.00 News and weather **10.05** Neighbours. (r) **10.25** Children's BBC. With Andy Crane **10.30** Play School. (r)
10.50 The Gospel According to St Luke. The first of seven programmes in which Bernard Hill tells the story of Easter **11.00** News and weather **11.05** The Pennine Challenge. Part three of the four-programme series followng the fortunes of four young people tackling the Pennine Way (r) **11.35** Open Air with Bob Wellings and Alan Titchmarsh. Includes news and weather at 12.00
12.20 Tom O'Connor Roadshow Replay. Highlights from the Derby, Falkirk, and Portsmouth weeks **12.55** Regional news and weather
1.00 One O'Clock News with Martyn Lewis. Weather **1.25** Neighbours. Danny causes an argument between his parents **1.50** Hokey Cokey. (r)
2.05 Ironside. The wheelchair-bound detective investigates death threats to a former colleague (r) **2.55** Music Match. Musical quiz presented by Barry Cryer **3.25** Valerie. American domestic comedy
3.50 Little Misses and the Mister Men. (r) **4.10** Lassie. (r) **4.30** The Mysterious Cities of Gold. Animated adventures.
4.55 John Craven's Newsround **5.05** Blue Peter (Ceefax) **5.35** Rolf Harris Cartoon Time.
6.00 Six O'Clock News with Nicholas Witchell and Andrew Harvey. Weather.
6.35 London Plus.
7.00 Wogan.
7.40 Head of the Class. American comedy series about a teacher and his class of high achievers with low manners.
8.05 Wildlife on One: Mysteries of the Chinese Cranes. The Siberian crane was thought to be on the verge of extinction when a report came from China of a flock sighted in a remote part of the country. A wildlife film team went to investigate. (Ceefax)
8.30 Ever Decreasing Circles. Martin is exasperated when a delivery of fertilizer goes wrong. (r) (Ceefax)
9.00 Nine O'Clock News with Nicholas Witchell and Andrew Harvey. Regional news and weather
9.30 Panorama: Front Line Blues - Policing the City. Inner city police forces are over-stretched. Gavin Hewitt reports from a police station in Wolverhampton to see how they cope with keeping the Queen's peace.
10.10 Music from the Masses. The first of four programmes exploring great requiem masses, presented by Owain Arwel Hughes.
11.00 Return to Evercreech Junction. A tribute to the Somerset and Dorset railway system - filmed in 1966 before it was Beechingized. (r)
11.30 Two Nations? Halting Tyneside's rising unemployment problem. (r)
11.55 The Gospel According to St Luke. Shown at 10.50am
12.05 Weather.



A difficult meeting for Gail (Helen Worth) and ex-husband Brian (Christopher Quinten): Coronation Street (ITV, 7.30)

BBC 2

6.55 Open University: Maths – Iteration and Convergence. Ends at **7.20.**
8.55 The Week in the Lords. (r)
9.35 Ceefax.
1.10 See Hear. Magazine programme for the hearing impaired. (r)
2.00 News and weather.
2 02 Royal Institution Christmas Lectures. The fourth lecture in Professor Lewis Wolpert's series of six on The Development of Life. (r)
2.55 The Tanner and the Hat Maker. A portrait of a photographer at work.
2.57 News and weather.
3.00 The Tea and Sugar. A The World About Us programme about Australia's Nullarbor Plain and the train that once a week leaves Port Augusta to deliver supplies to those who live in the wilderness. (r)
3.50 News, regional news, and weather.
4.00 The World of the 30s. A documentary series about the decade which promised more than it delivered.
4.30 Pamela Armstrong.
5.05 My Music. (r)
5.30 Did You See. . .? A revised edition of yesterday's programme on which comment was passed on Foreign Bodies, The Sword of Islam, and Horses.
6.00 Film: The Treasure of Pancho Villa (1955) starring Rory Calhoun, Gilbert Roland, and Shelley Winters. Mexican Revolution drama about two of Pancho Villa's men who rob a train carrying government gold, and their long trek over the mountains with their loot. Directed by George Sherman.
7.30 Grand Prix. Highlights of the Brazilian Grand Prix.
8.05 Horizon: After Chernobyl - Closer to Home. A documentary about one of Britain's latest nuclear power stations – in Hartlepool, surrounded by a huge petro-chemical complex. (see Choice)
9.00 French and Saunders. Dawn and Jennifer in a nother selection of comedy sketches, aided by Raw Sex, Edwardo, and Betty Marsden. The special guest is Joan Armatrading. Last in the series.
9.30 Moonlighting. The disparate pair of detectives are not talking to each other - a chance for Hollywood reporter Rona Barrett to listen to both their stories and to review clips from previous episodes.
10.20 Open Space: Strip Searching - Security in the Raw. A film made by complainants who have undergone strip searching - and not liked it. A security expert claims it is a necessary evil. (Ceefax)
10.50 Newsnight **11.35** Weather.
11.40 Telejournal. Chantal Cuer reviews some of the week's television news stories.
12.05 Open University: Handel's 'Messiah' Ends at **12.35**

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6.15 TV-am introduced by Caroline Righton and Mike Morris. Weather at **6.28** and **6.58**; news at **6.30**; financial news at **6.35**; sport at **6.40**; and exercises at **6.55.**
7.00 Good Morning Britain presented by Anne Diamond and Mike Morris. News at **7.00, 7.30, 8.00,** and **8.30**; cartoon at **7.25**; sport at **7.40**; pop music at **7.55**; and Jimmy Greaves's television highlights at **8.35.** In Wacaday at **8.35,** Timmy Mallett tries windsurfing.
9.25 Thames news headlines followed by Robostory. **9.50** Beyond 2000. Technology of the future **10.40** Struggle Beneath the Sea. Symbiosis. (r) **11.05** The Orphans. An old man reflects on the happy days of his youth **11.25** Roger Ramjet. Cartoon.
11.30 About Britain. Tom Weir visits the island of Egg.
12.00 Foxtales. Puppet story narrated by Peter Davison. (r)
12.10 Let's Pretend to the tale of The Unfriendly Friend.
12.30 Doctors and Patients. The evolution of The Lambeth Community Care Centre, spawned by the closure of the local district general hospital.
1.00 News at One with Leonard Parkin **1.20** Thames news
1.30 Film: Operation Pacific" (1951) starring John Wayne. Second World War drama about a Lt. Commander who takes charge of a submarine after the captain is killed by a Japanese 'Q' ship. Directed by George Waggner **3.25** Thames news headlines **3.30** The Young Doctors. Medical drama serial set in a large Australian city hospital.
4.00 Tickle on the Tum. Village tales for the young **4.10** Batfink. (r) **4.15** Ragdolly Anna. With Pat Coombs. **4.30** The Dodo Club. Sue Robbie looks behind the scenes at Jersey Zoo.
4.45 Dramarama: The Horrible Story. Three boys have a sleepless night camping out in the garden. (Oracle) **5.15** Knight Rider. Part one of an adventure in which Michael Knight and KITT are looking for an illegal drug depot.
5.45 News with Alastair Stewart **6.00** Thames news presented by Andrew Gardner and John Andrew.
6.25 Help! Community action news from Viv Taylor Gee.
6.35 Crossroads. Jill and Adam put a brave face on the tragic event.
7.00 Watching You Watching Us. Watching families watching television in their own home. Introduced by Julian Pettifer
7.30 Coronation Street. Brian learns from Gail that he is the father of her baby.
8.00 What's My Line? Eamonn Andrews's panel for this week's edition of the odd occupations quiz is George Gale, Barbara Kelly, Jilly Cooper, and Ernie Wise.
8.30 World in Action. A documentary examining the reasons behind Britain's scientific brain drain. One Nobel Prize winner, credited with the greatest scientific discovery of the century, claims that not only is research underfunded but scientists themselves are devalued
9.00 Prospects. Comedy-drama series, set on the Isle of Dogs in east London, about two young wheeler-dealers.
10.00 News at Ten. Weather, followed by Thames news headlines.
10.30 The New Avengers. Steed, Purdey, and Gambit search for an assassin in Paris. (r)
11.30 Promises and Piecrust. Stuart Maclure investigates what the British education system will be like in 20 years time.
12.00 Dionne Warwick in London. The singer performs at the Royal Albert Hall.
12.55 Night Thoughts.



The Irish angle: Deirdre McSharry, editor of Country Living, talks about her background in Generations (Channel 4, 3.30pm)

CHANNEL 4

2.30 The Late Late Show. Dublin's music and chat show.
3.30 Generations. The subject of this fourth programme in the series in which lawyer and journalist Paulyn Marrinan talks to Irish women who have made an impact, is Deirdre McSharry, editor of Country Living magazine, and a former editor of Cosmopolitan
4.00 Mavis on 4. In this last programme of the series Mavis Nicholson talks to the singing grandfather, Tom Jones.
4.30 Countdown. The 12th series begins with Keith Albans, a Methodist minister from York, challenging Valerie Turner, a housewife from Darlington. Richard Whiteley is the questionmaster, assisted by Bill Tidy with the dictionary.
5.00 Hogan's Heroes. Vintage American comedy series starring Bob Crane ans Colonel Hogan, the leader of a group of resourceful prisoners-of-war who make life uneasy for their dimwitted captors.
5.30 The Abbott and Costello Show". Lou becomes a vacuum cleaner salesman and causes chaos when he tries to demonstrate his product.
6.00 A Language for Ben. An award-winning programme covering a year in the life of three-year-old Ben Fletcher who was, at the age of ten months, diagnosed profoundly deaf. Introduced by Clark Denmark. With sign language and subtitles. (r)
7.00 Channel 4 News with Peter Sissons includes a report from Tokyo on the privatization of Japan's railways.
7.50 Comment followed by weather.
8.00 Brookside. Sheila and Bobby finally reach the Eternal City. Back in the Close, at the Corkhills', Billy's gamble does not come off.
8.30 Chateauvallon - Fortune and Power. Episode 12 of the French drama serial and the anonymous informer follows up his telephone call to Florence with a visit to Andre Travers suggesting that Georges Quentin was murdered.
9.30 Rude Health. Comedy series starring John Wells, John Bett, and Paul Mori, as three disparate doctors in a Home Counties surgery.
10.00 Hill Street Blues. Furillo is furious when a rape suspect is released on a technicality; and Davenport is offered the job of assistant district attorney.
10.55 The Eleventh Hour: Homeless. The third and final programme in the series on homelessness in Britain.
11.55 The Loneliness of the Gods. A documentary shot largely at a conference about the Latin-American external debt, held in Cuba. (r) Ends at **12.30.**

VARIATIONS

BBC1 WALES: **5.35pm-6.00** Wales Today **6.35-7.00** Taylor Made **12.05am-1.05** Rugby Special (Middlesex v Yorkshire) **1.05-1.10** News and weather SCOTLAND: **10.50am-11.00** Sesh Soo **5.35pm-7.00** Reporting Scotland **8.30-9.00** Late Expectations **11.55-12.10am** The Seven Last Words **12.10-12.15** Weather NORTHERN IRELAND: **5.35pm-5.40** Today's Sport **5.40-6.00** Inside Ulster **6.35-7.00** Up Front **12.05am-12.10** News and weather ENGLAND: **5.35pm-7.00** Regional news magazines

ANGLIA As London except: **9.25am** Harlem Globetrotters **9.50** Ask No Questions **10.30** Cartoon **10.35** Kasmar Story **11.00-11.30** Look Who's Talking **1.20pm** News **1.30** Film. One Cooks, The Other Doesn't **3.15-3.30** Cartoon **5.15-5.45** Emmerdale Farm **6.00** About Anglia **6.30-7.00** Survival **10.30** Anglia Reports **11.00** Promises and Piecrust **11.30** Airwolf **12.25am** Little Gidding, Closedown.

BORDER As London except: **9.25am** Old Curiosity Shop **10.40** Wells Cathedral **11.10-11.30** Robo Story **1.20pm** News **1.30** Film. Birthday Present' **3.30-4.00** Sons and Daughters **5.15-5.45** Ask No Questions **6.00** Lookaround **6.30-7.00** Take The High Road **10.30-11.30** Rugby: Melrose Sevens' **12.00** Closedown.

CENTRAL As London except: **9.25am** Gods and Heroes **9.40** Easter Rodeo Show **9.55** Chase Through the Night **10.30-11.30** Film. Blondie Plays Cupid' **1.20pm** News **1.30** Legacy For Leonetre **3.20-3.30** Magic Magic **5.15-5.45** Pass The Buck **6.00-6.35** News **10.30** Venture **11.00** Promises and Precrust **11.30** New Avengers **12.30am** Jobfinder **1.30** Closedown.

CHANNEL As London except: **9.25am** Once Upon a Time-Man **9.55-11.30** Dr Snuggles **1.20pm** News **1.30** Home Cookery **1.35-3.30** Film: Wuthering Heights **5.15-5.45** Sons and Daughters **6.00** Channel Report **6.30-7.00** Azores Angle **10.30-11.30** Sweeney **12.00** Worlds Beyond **12.30am** Closedown.

GRAMPIAN As London except: **11.05am-11.30** Short Story **1.20pm** News **1.30** Pass The Buck **2.00** Scarecrow and Mrs King **2.55** Young Doctors **3.30** Smurfs **3.45-4.00** Trang Trang **5.15-5.45** Emmerdale Farm **6.00-7.00** North Tonight **10.30** Scotland Tomorrow **11.00-11.30** Road Dreams. **12.00** Worlds Beyond **12.30am** News, Closedown.

GRANADA As London except: **9.25am** Granada Reports **9.30** Clown Whee **10.20** Cartoon **10.25** Mr T **10.55** Once Upon A Time. .Man **11.20** Professor Kitzel **11.25-12.00** About Britain **1.20pm** Granada Reports **1.30** Scramble' **2.00** Film. The Fan' **3.30-4.00** Sons and Daughters **5.15-5.45** Show Me **6.00** Granada Reports **6.30-7.00** Scramble' **10.30** **State of the Region** **11.00** **Film: Torture Garden** **12.40am** **Closedown.**

HTV WEST As London except: **9.25am** Mr Merlin **9.45** Count of Monte Cristo **10.40** Gather Your Dreams **11.05-11.30** When The Chips Are Down **1.20pm** News **1.30-3.30** Film Harry Black and the Tiger **5.15-5.45** Ask No Questions **6.00-7.00** News **10.30** The Year Was 1982 **11.00** Cavalry of the Clouds **11.45** Ben Sidran **12.45am** Closedown

HTV WALES As HTV West except: **6.00pm-7.00** Wales at Six **10.30** Mary **11.00-12.45am** Film: Flashpoint Africa.

SCOTTISH As London except: **9.25am** Outsiders **10.25** Lost Kingdoms **10.50** Struggle Beneath The Sea **11.15-11.30** World of Stories **1.20pm** News **1.30** Live at One-Thirty **2.00** Film To The Bottom of the Sea **3.45-4.00** Trang Trang **5.15-5.45** Emmerdale Farm **6.00** Scotland Today **6.30-7.00** Scotland's Story **10.30-11.30** Hammer House of Horror **12.00** Late Call. Closedown.

TSW As London except: **9.25am** News **9.30** Champions **10.20** Yvonne Hudson **10.50** A For Agnetha **11.20-11.30** Max The Mouse **1.20pm** News **1.30-3.30** Film: Going in Style **5.15-5.45** Crossroads **6.00** Today South West **6.30-7.00** Emmerdale Farm **10.32** T.J. Hooker **11.25** Young Baroque **12.10am** Postscript. Closedown.

TVS As London except: **9.28am** Once Upon A Time. .Man **955-11.30** Film: Dr Snuggles **1.20pm** News **1.30** Home Cookery **1.35-3.30** Film. Wuthering Heights **5.15-5.45** Sons and Daughters **6.00** Coast to Coast **6.30-7.00** Azores Angle **10.30-11.30** Sweeney **12.00** Worlds Beyond **12.30am** Company. Closedown.

TYNE TEES As London except: **9.25am** News **9.30** Zunch **10.00-11.30** Film: Never Too Young to Rock **1.20pm** News **1.30** Film: Fanny by Gaslight' **5.15-5.45** Ask No Questions **6.00** Northern Life **6.30-7.00** Three Little Words **10.32** Inquisition **11.00** Jessie **12.00** Amazing Grace. Closedown

ULSTER As London except: **9.25am** Day Ahead **9.30** Sesame Street **10.30** Smurfs **10.55** Once Upon A Time .Man **11.20-11.30** Cartoon **1.20pm** Lunchtime **3.30-4.00** Sons and Daughters **5.15-5.45** Ask No Questions **6.00** Good Evening Ulster **6.30-7.00** Spellbound **10.30** From Stone to Stone **11.00** Suffering in Faith **11.10** Edgar Wallace' **12.10am** News, Closedown.

YORKSHIRE As London except: **9.25am** Spacewatch **9.40** Leave it to Mrs O Brien **10.05** Film: Blondie Goes To College' **11.20-11.30** Professor Kitzel **1.20pm** News **1.25** Help Yourself **1.30** Film One Cooks, The Other Doesn't **3.15** Home Cookery **3.30-4.00** Country Practice **5.15-5.45** Ask No Questions **6.00** Calendar **6.30-7.00** Who's The Boss? **10.30** Calendar Commentary **11.00** Prisoner Cell Block H **11.55** Kit Curran **12.25am** Holy Week **12.35** Jobfinder **1.35** Closedown

S4C Starts: **12.15pm** Film: Trouble in Paradise' **1.45** Hand in Hand **2.00** Countdown **2.30** Late Late Show **3.30** Bake to the Roots **4.05** Lluneu Dydd Llun **4.20** Kurhs **4.45** Chwarter Call **5.00** Car 54, Where Are You?' **5.30** World at War **6.30** Mavis on 4 **7.00** Newyddion Saith **7.30** Arfunwyr **8.00Y** Byd ar Bedwar **8.30** Codi Pais **9.00** Rude Health **9.30** Cheers **10.00** Chateauvallon **11.00** Punch and Judy **1.20am** Closedown



Radio 1

MF medium wave. Stereo on VHF (see below)
News on the half-hour from **6.30am** until **8.30pm** then at **10.00** and **12** midnight.
5.30am Adrian John **7.00** Mike Smith's Breakfast Show (from Aberdeen) **9.30** Simon Bates (Aberdeen) **12.30** Newsbeat (Frank Partridge) **12.45** Gary Davies (from Aberdeen) **3.00** Steve Wright (from Aberdeen) **5.30** Newsbeat **5.45** Bruno Brookes (from Aberdeen) **7.30** Janice Long **10.00-12.00** John Peel.
VHF Stereo Radios 1 and 2:- **4.00am** As Radio 2 **10.00pm** As Radio 1 **12.00-4.00am** As Radio 2.

Radio 2

MF (medium wave). Stereo on VHF (See Radio 1)
News on the hour
Sports Desks **6.31am, 7.31, 8.31, 12.02pm, 1.05, 2.02, 3.02, 4.02, 5.05, 6.02, 6.45** (mf only).
4.00am Colin Berry **5.30** Ray Moore **7.30** Derek Jameson **9.30** Ken Bruce **11.00** Sue Lawley **1.05** David Jacobs **2.00** Fern Britton **3.30** Adrian Love **5.05** John Dunn **7.00** Alan Dell **8.30** Big Band Special **9.00** Humphrey Lyttelton with jazz on record **10.00** The Monday Movie Hour **11.00** Round Midnight **1.00am** Nightride **3.00-4.00** A Little Night Music.

WORLD SERVICE

5.00 Newsdesk **5.30** Questions of Faith **7.00** News **7.08** Twenty-four Hours **7.30** Detective **8.00** News **8.09** Reflections **8.15** A Night to Remember **8.30** Anything Goes **9.00** Financial News followed by: Look Ahead **9.45** Peebles' Choice **10.00** News **10.01** Questions of Faith (until **10.30**) **11.00** News **11.09** News About Britain **11.15** Training for Tomorrow **11.30** Album Time **12.00** Radio Newsreel **12.15** It Makes Me Laugh **12.45** Sports Roundup **1.00** News **1.09** Twenty-four Hours **1.30** You Ain't Heard Nothin' Yet! **2.00** Outlook **2.45** Hotel du Lac **3.00** Radio Newsreel **3.15** Questions of Faith **3.45** Kings of Swing **4.00** News **4.09** Commentary (until 4.15) **7.00** Outlook **7.39** Stock Market Report **7.45** Peebles' Choice **8.00** News **8.09** Twenty-Four Hours **8.30** Sports International **9.00** News **9.01** Network UK **9.15** Performing Early Music **9.30** Vintage Chart Show **10.00** News **10.09** World Today **10.25** Book Choice **10.30** Financial News **10.40** Reflections **10.45** Reflections **10.45** Sports Roundup **11.00** News **11.09** Commentary **11.15** Here's Health! **11.30** Multitrack 1 **12.00** News **12.09** News About Britain **12.15** Radio Newsreel **12.30** You Ain't Heard Nothin' Yet! **1.00** News **1.01** Outlook **1.30** Story **1.45** Here's Health! **2.00** News **2.09** Review of the British Press **2.15** Network UK **2.30** Sports International **3.00** News **3.09** News About Britain **3.15** World Today (until **3.30**) **4.45** Reflections **4.50** Financial News **5.00** News **5.09** Twenty-Four Hours (until **5.30**). All times in GMT

Radio 3

6.35 Open University. Until **6.55** Wordsworth and memory
6.55 Weather **7.00** News
7.05 Morning Concert:Glinka (Symphony on two Russian themes: USSR SO under Svetlanov), Grainger (Spoon River Bournemouth Sinfon etta, under Montgomery), Ravel (Sheherazade: Norman, soprano, LSO), Scarlatti (Sonatas in E flat, Kk 307 and 475: Sgrizzi, harpsichord), Chabrier (Espana: French National Orchestra). **8.00** News
8.05 Concert (continued) Saint-Saens (Morceau de concert, Op 154: Zabaleta, harp, and French National Radio Orchestra), Chopin (Waltzes in A flat Op 69 No 1; in C sharp minor, Op 64 No 2; in G flat, Op 70 No 1: Lipatti, piano), Delius (Violin Concerto: Holmes, with RPO)
9.00 World Service News
9.05 This Week's Composer: Mozart. Piano Concerto No 5, and Rondo in D, K 382 (Brendel with Academy of St Martin-in-the-Fields under Marriner); Serenade in E flat, K 375 (Amadeus Winds)
10.10 Four Bachs: Georg Chrisoph (Siehe, wie fein und lieblich: Musica Antiqua, Cologne, with soloists Elliott, Meens, Varcoe), Johann Christoph Friedrich (Sextet in C: Freiborg Baroqua Soloists), Johann Bernhard (Partita sopra Du Friedensfurst, Herr Jesu Christ: Krumbach, organ), Johann Christoph (Musica Antiqua, with Rhenish Choir and soloists)
11.00 Brahms: Piano Quartet in C minor. Op 60 (Crayford, Chase, Van Kampen and Brown)
11.40 Mozart and Bruckner: Mozart (Violin Concerto in B flat, K 207), and Bruckner (Symphony in D minor, No 0 (Sear Radio SO under Skrowac zewski), with Kaja Danczowska, violin). **1.00** News
1.05 BBC Singers with Vladimir Mikulka (guitar). Debussy (Trois chansons de Charles d'Orleans), Falla (Homenaje a Debussy), Leo Brouwer (Elogio de la danza), Ginastera (Lamentations of Jeremiah), Villa-Lobos (Prelude No 5. Study No 11), Tansman (Barcarola and Danza pomposa), Copland (Lark: Las Agachadas)
2.00 Music Weekly: includes an interview with Aulis Sallinen, and a tribute to US soprano Dusolina Giannini (r)
2.45 New Records: Saint-Saens (Symphonic poem: Phaeton: French National Orchestra), Chausson (Quartet, Op 35: Muir String Quartet), Dandelot (En vacances: Corre and Exerjean, pianos), Dukas (L'apprenti sorcier: Orchestre de Bordeaux Aquitaine), Messiaen (Canteyodjaya: Peter Hill, piano), Villa-Lobos (Choros. No 3 and No 7: Rio de Janeiro Choral Assocation). d'Indy (Poeme des rivages symphonic suite)
5.00 World Service News
5.10 Mainly for Pleasure: Natalie Wheen's selection of recorded music. **6.55** News
7.00 Organ music:Walter Hillsman in Christ Church Cathedral, Oxford. Horatio Parker (Sonata, Op 65)
7.25 From Euphoria to Despair: a talk by Elie Kedourie, Professor of Politics, London School of Economics
7.45 St John Passion, by Arvo Part.Performed by Capricorn, the Western Wind (under Paul Hillier), and members of the Hilliard Ensemble – Michael George, John Potter, Evelyn Tubb, David James, Rogers Covey-Crump, Gordon Jones
9.00 Interpretations on Record: Roger Nichols compares recordings of Berlioz's Symphonie fantastique
10.00 Jazz Today: Charles Fox presents Graham Collier Sextet
11.00 Schumann Chamber Music: Andante and Variations in B flat (Ashkenazy, piano: Amaryllis Fleming, cello; Malcolm Frager, piano; Terence Weill, cello; Barry Tuckwell, horn) and Piano Quartet in C minor (David Levine, piano)
11.57 News. **12.00** Close

Radio 4

LF (long wave). (s) stereo on VHF
5.55 Shipping **6.00** News, Weather **6.10** Farming **6.25** Prayer (s)
6.30 Today, incl **6.30, 7.30, 8.30** News **6.45** Business News **6.55, 7.55** Weather; Travel **7.00, 8.00** News **7.25, 8.25** Sport **7.45** Thought for the Day
8.35 The Week on 4
8.43 Five William Stories chosen and read by Martin Jarvis. Today: The Sweet Little Girl in White. **8.57** Weather; Travel
9.00 News
9.05 Start the Week with Richard Baker and guests (s)
10.00 News; Money Box. Questions on personal finance put by listeners in Brighton (r)
10.30 The Cross on Trial. John Harriot surveys the Cross as a universal symbol in the first of five talks for Holy Week.
10.45 Daily Service from the Crypt Chapel in the Palace of Westminster Service is led by Canon Donald Gray, Chaplain to the Speaker. With the BBC Singers. (s)
11.00 News; Travel; Down Your Way. Brian Johnston visits Cockermouth in Cumbria (r)
11.48 Poetry Please! Listeners' requests. Presented by P J Kavanagh. Read by Bonnie Hurren and Gerard Green. (s)
12.00 News; You and Yours Presented by Susan Rae
12.27 Molesworth by Simon Brett. With William Rushton (4):The Arts (s)
12.55 Weather
1.00 The World at One. News
1.40 The Archers **1.55** Shipping
2.00 News; Woman's Hour with Jenni Murray. Includes a history of badges, by David Bridle.
3.00 News; The Afternoon Play: The Golden Man by Catherine Lucy Czerkawska. With Louise Beattie. Supernatural thriller, set in a farm in Scotland (r)
4.15 Man-Size in Marble. A ghost story by E Nesbitt. Read by John Shedden
4.30 Kaleidoscope. Gavin Ewart explores the themes of his work with fellow poet Anthony Thwaite (r)
5.00 PM. News magazine
5.50 Shipping forecast **5.55** Weather
6.00 News; Weather
6.30 Just a Minute! Can Alfred Marks, Derek Nimmo, Peter Jones and Kenneth Williams keep talking for a whole minute? (r)
7.00 News
7.05 The Archers
7.20 Inheritance. Exploring the story of the magnificent " English country house" of Sir Thomas Lister, in the Sri Lanka jungle. Melanie Butler visits both Sri Lanka and Sheffield.
7.45 Science Now. Georgina Ferry reports on the latest developments and discovenes from the world's leading laboratories
8.15 The Monday Play. Incident at the Devil's Gate by Bruce Stewart. Alec McCowen plays Oscar Romero, controversial Archbishop of San Salvador, assassinated while celebrating Mass in 1980. Also starring Ronald Lacey and Karen Ford (s)
9.45 Kaleidoscope. Includes comment on The Stones of Muriel Spark, the film My Life as a Dog, the National Theatre of Brent's The Greatest Story Ever Told. Also an item on Scandinavian records.
10.15 A Book at Bedtime. The War of the Worlds by H G Wells. The reader is Simon Ward. (1) (see Choice) **10.29** Weather
10.30 The World Tonight
11.15 The Financial World Tonight
11.30 Basingstoke It Is! Ian Bradley celebrates the centenary of Ruddigore, Gilbert and Sullivan's tenth opera (r)
12.00 News; Weather **12.33** Shipping
VHF (available in England and S Wales only) as above except: **5.55-6.00am** Weather; Travel **1.55-2.00pm** Listening Corner **5.50-5.55** PM (continued) **11.30-12.10am** Open University. **11.30** Gibbon's Attack on Christianity **11.50** Dickens and Balzac

FREQUENCIES: Radio 1:1053kHz/285m;1089kHz/275m; Radio 2: 693kHz/433m; 909kHz/330m; Radio 3: 1215kHz/247m:VHF-90-92.5; Radio 4: 200kHz/1500m: VHF-92-95; LBC:1152kHz/261m: VHF 97.3; Capital: 1548kHz/194m: VHF95.8; BBC Radio London: 1458kHz/206m: VHF 94.9; World Service: MF 648kHz/463m.

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Coventry come out of the wilderness

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Coventry City 3
Leeds United 2

Coventry City are about to end more than a century in the wilderness. On May 16 they will emerge from the dark tunnel at Wembley and walk out onto the most brightly illuminated stage in the game to take part in the first final in their 104-year history.

The dazzling prospect never seemed likely during the opening stages of their semi-final at Hillsborough yesterday but, even though they required extra time to overcome their opponents from the second division, they deservedly earned the right to compete against the Cup favourites, Tottenham Hotspur.

If Bennett was Coventry's inspiration, Ogrizovic was their saviour. Their goalkeeper, a 6ft 5in former policeman, protected them throughout an explosive first 20 minutes. Leeds, resembling a roaring bush fire, burned alarming holes in Coventry's security and, as they swept all before them, they took the lead and threatened to widen the margin extensively.

Ogrizovic began by defying the flying Pearson with an extraordinary close-range save, but he was beaten after 12 minutes. Adams, once of Coventry, took Leeds fourth corner — a measure of their initial superiority — and Rennie, the understudy for the ineligible Aizlewood, was left free to head in.

Had Ogrizovic not tipped away Baird's crisp drive, the semi-final might have been as one-sided as the affair at Villa Park the previous day. But Coventry, startled by the ferocity of the Leeds challenge, gradually found their feet, their composure — and some dangerous ideas of their own.

Bennett, following the example of Ritchie, the other outstanding individual operating on the right flank, was invariably the source. Yet creative as he was, his designs were persistently spoiled by the wayward Regis, Coventry's leading scorer who scorned three unmistakeable opportunities before the interval. Houchen contributed by missing another.

The balance had shifted even before the sides changed ends, but it took Coventry more than an hour to equalize. Bennett, seemingly chasing a lost cause, cut the ball back from the byline and, although Regis failed to turn it in, Gynn did so at the far post.

Leeds had already lost their impetus. Now they had also lost the initiative and, 11 minutes from the end of normal time, it appeared that they had lost the tie as well when Houchen maintained his record of scoring noteable goals.

When with York City Houchen helped knock out Arsenal two years ago. This seasonhe claimed the winner against Manchester United in the fourth round, against Sheffield Wednesday in the sixth round and apparently here, too, as he evaded several tackles and Day's dive. However, a Leeds substitute was to make an even more immediate impact than had the scuttling Gynn, a replacement for Pickering.

With his first touch, a simple nod to convert Ritchie's precise cross, Edwards ushered Leeds and the match itself into extra time. No one complained. The afternoon had been so consistently thrilling and so gloriously entertaining that the huge crowd relished an encore, exhausted though the players might inevitably be.

It was appropriate that Bennett at one end, and Ogrizovic at the other, should feature prominently in the finale. In the 98th minute Coventry's winger first bemused, and was then felled by, Adams. Gynn's free kick was headed down by Regis, helped on by Houchen, and eventually prodded in by Bennett.

Leeds, attempting to return to Wembley for the first time since being humiliated by Sunderland in 1973, almost won for themselves another 90 minutes on Wednesday. But the giant Ogrizovic closed as he had opened — by spreading his enlarged frame to smother the ambitions of Edwards at the near post.

In spite of their crushing disappointment, the Leeds supporters mercifully behaved themselves. Only a dozen of the 51,372 spectators were arrested. Yet the Football Association might be encouraged to investigate their own decision to stage the semi-finals at such distant and inconvenient venues. Both kick-offs, significantly, were delayed by 15 minutes because of traffic congestion.

COVENTRY CITY: S Ogrizovic; B Borrows, G Downs, L McGrath, B Kilcline, T Peake, D Bennett, D Phillips, C Regis, K Houchen, N Pickering (sub: M Gynn).
LEEDS UNITED: M Day; N Aspin, D Rennie, J Soles (sub: K Edwards), J Ashurst, B Ormsby, A Ritchie, J Sheridan, J Pearson (sub: P Haddock), I Baird, M Adams.
Referee: R Milford.



Scorer with the golden touch: Houchen rounds Day to score Coventry's second goal (Photograph: Ian Stewart)

Coach receives reward

John Sillett, the Coventry coach, will lead out the team at Wembley on May 16. George Curtis, managing director, confirmed after the extra-time victory over Leeds: "There's only one person to lead the team out, and that's John."

Summing up the delight of City who have never been to a major final before, Curtis said: "Today was history and pure pleasure for everyone at the club who at the start of the season were written off as has-beens. The character is there — they didn't want to go out and lose."

Prost wins in the style of a champion

By John Blunsden

Alain Prost, the world champion, began his campaign to complete a championship treble in the most convincing style yesterday when he gained a comfortable victory in the Brazilian Grand Prix at Rio de Janeiro in his Marlboro McLaren-TAG.

His winning margin of just over 40 seconds over the second placed Nelson Piquet and his Canon Williams-Honda was eloquent testimony not only to his outstanding driving skill, but also to the meticulously achieved balance of his car, which enabled Prost to conserve rubber in a race which was dominated by stops for replacement tyres.

The winner, like his third placed team partner Stefan Johansson, required only two stops during the 61-lap race, whereas the abrasive track surface took most of their rivals to the pits three times.

A tight-fought battle between the Ferrari drivers, Michele Alboreto and Gerhard Berger, for fourth place was resolved in the closing laps when Alboreto slowed with rear suspension trouble and failed to finish the race, although he was credited with eighth place. His effective retirement elevated the Belgian Thierry Boutsen into fifth place in his first drive in the new Benetton-Ford, and enabled Nigel Mansell to squeeze home in sixth place for a hard-earned World Championship point after he had suffered a punctured left rear tyre on his Williams-Honda and lost several places during his necessarily slow drive back to the pits on his 46th lap.

Although Mansell started the race in pole position, he chose to drive conservatively on the opening lap after his past experiences in Brazil had taken him off the circuit in the opening minute of the last two races, and Piquet set the pace for the first six laps with his fellow countryman Ayrton Senna in hot pursuit in the latest actively-suspended Lotus-Honda.

On the seventh lap Senna took over the lead when Piquet made his first pit stop for tyres and significantly Senna was able to stay out until the 13th lap before he, in turn, stopped for his first change of tyres. Prost, however, managed to last until lap 16 on his original set and by this point it was clear that the McLaren team were building a solid advantage. At half distance Prost and Johansson were firmly in the first two places, followed by the two Williams' of Piquet and Mansell and Senna gradually closing in on them in fifth place.

But the Williams' appetite for tyres brought Senna up into third place by lap 36 and he was second to Prost three laps later. However, Senna's race ended 12 laps prematurely.

RESULTS: 1, A Prost (Fr) McLaren; 2, N Piquet (Brazil) Williams; 3, S Johansson

Leaders at Augusta say some silent prayers through Amen Corner

From Mitchell Platts, Golf Correspondent, Augusta

They said their prayers, one by one, as they filed through Amen Corner on the Augusta National course here yesterday. The leaders know that what is arguable the most intimidating stretch of golfing terrain in the world was where the outcome of the 51st US Masters was most likely to be decided.

Amen Corner, where spectators gather like vultures to pick the bones out of the birdies and, dare I say it, disasters, is the name given to holes 11 to 13. It was christened not by some low-handicapped evangelist, but by Herbert Warren Wind.

He had witnessed Arnold Palmer lose in 1959 the chance of successfully defending the title by taking six at the par-three 12th hole. Wind, who was writing for *Sports Illustrated*, felt that this particular section of the course had earned the right of a personal trademark. He recalls: "I was thinking of a name. An old jazz record I had came to mind. On one side was *35th Calumet*. The flip side was *Shoutin' in the Amen Corner*. That sounded quite good.

The 11th, with the pond to the front and left of the green, entices the golfer to play conservitively to the right, often leaving the ball in a impossible position from which to make regulation par. There must be no doubts when standing on the 12th tee as it requires a positive shot over Rae's Creek to the green 155 yards away. There, and the next, the long 13th, which tempts players to go for the green in two, even though it means flirting with danger as a tiny brook skirts the green, has often seen the tournament won and lost. For instance in 1937 Byron Elson (2-3) picked up six shots on Ralph Guldahl (5-6), the leader, and won.

Yesterday Ben Crenshaw and Roger Maltbie were scheduled to arrive at Amen Corner last, courtesy of sharing the lead after three rounds, followed by Greg Norman and Bernhard Langer, then the challenging Severiano Ballesteros and T C Chen.

Tom Watson went through one hour earlier, hoping he had no need to repeat Saturday's exercise when he was compelled to remove shoes and socks to play out of the brook at the 13th, while a little later Curtis Strange faced an even greater psychological barrier. He, too, landed in the water at the 13th in 1985 and, with his spirits dampened, lost a three-shot lead so that Langer was home and dry.

Even the relief of moving through Amen Corner in one under par on Saturday still appeared to disturb Strange's composure because he once again lost the US Masters lead by dropping three shots in succession. It left Crenshaw, following a fine 67, which included four successive birdies from the 12th, so answering all his prayers, sharing the lead with Maltbie (70) on the four under par 212 mark. Norman, after a 66, which equalled the best score of the week, was level with Langer on 213.

Card of the course

Augusta National

Hole	Yds	Par	Hole	Yds	Par
1	400	4	10	485	4
2	555	5	11	455	4
3	360	4	12	155	3
4	205	3	13	465	5
5	435	4	14	405	4
6	180	3	15	500	5
7	360	4	16	170	3
8	535	5	17	400	4
9	435	4	18	405	4
Out	3,465	36	In	3,440	36

Total yardage: 6,905 Par: 72

Third round leaders

(US unless stated)
212: B Crenshaw, 75, 70, 67; R Maltbie, 76, 66, 70.
213: G Norman (Aust), 73, 74, 66; B Langer (WG), 71, 72, 70.
214: S Ballesteros (Sp), 73, 71, 70; T C Chen (Taiwan), 74, 69, 71; L Mize, 70, 72, 72; C Strange, 71, 70, 73.
215: L Wadkins 73, 72, 70; M McCumber, 75, 71, 69.
216: J Haas, 72, 72, 72; J Cook, 69, 73, 74.
217: T Watson, 71, 72, 74; C Beck, 75, 72, 70; J Mudd, 74, 72, 71; N Price (SA), 73, 73, 71.
219: S Lyle (GB), 77, 74, 68; J Nicklaus, 74, 72, 73; P Azinger, 77, 73, 69; S Simpson, 72, 75, 73.
220: M O'Meara, 75, 74, 71; C Stadler, 74, 74, 72; P Stewart, 71, 75, 74.
221: G Player (SA), 75, 75, 71; J Miller, 75, 75, 71; T Kite, 73, 74, 74.
222: D Frost (SA), 75, 70, 77; H Clark (GB), 74, 71, 77; A Bean, 75, 68, 78; M Hulbert, 76, 75, 71; D Graham (Aust), 73, 77, 72, D Hammond, 73, 75, 74; G Sauers, 75, 73, 74.
223: G Koch, 76, 75, 72; D Watson (SA), 76, 74, 73; C Peete, 71, 77, 75; F Zoeller, 76, 71, 76; M Calcavecchia, 73, 72, 78; C Pavin, 71, 71, 81.
224: J Mahaffey, 73, 75, 76; T Aaron, 72, 76, 76.
225: H Green, 80, 71, 74; K Knox, 75, 75, 75; J Sindelar, 74, 70, 81.
226: B Casper, 77, 74, 75; B Lietzke, 75, 74, 77; D Barr (Can), 79, 68, 79.
227: D Pooley, 76, 75, 76; J Thorpe, 77, 74, 76.
230: B Lewis (ama), 74, 77, 79; M O'Grady, 72, 78, 79.

Unlikely duo produce a game of rare passion and excitement

Just the result for the final



David Miller

Here was a day when English football could be proud of an outstanding, traditionally hard, but fair cup tie.

Coventry and Leeds produced a semi-final of rare excitement and action, one of the best the competition has seen in the past 20 years or so. For two hours, the game galloped along in a fever of incident and uncertainty, the epitomy of the English game which is so widely appreciated abroad as well as, though less so nowadays, at home.

It was a match as dramatic as Saturday's at Villa Park was bland. Hillsborough's south stand, though blotting out the backcloth of South Yorkshire landscape with its bleak aura of industrial revolution, has given the stadium an added sense of theatre, and both teams responded with a predominantly sporting and adventurous attitude which semi-finals so seldom generate.

It may not have had the quality of, say, Spurs against Burnley in 1961, yet there were memorable performances by the delicate and intelligent Bennett and bustling Regis for Coventry, and by Ritchie and Sheridan for the losers.

Few outside Yorkshire or Hertfordshire can deny that the final will be between the superior semi-final team, with the correct result each day. Tottenham outclassed Watford, and not just because of an unfortunate deputy goalkeeper. The difference yesterday was that while Coventry had perhaps two below-average players, Leeds had four or five: a legitimate disparity between first and second division.

I suspect that Coventry's central defence, at times sorely tested, may be seriously exposed at Wembley, but yesterday, especially when Gynn came on for Pickering after an hour, they were quick and imaginative in switching from winning possession in midfield to attacking down both flanks.

Bennett, who has always been a player of pleasing refinement, from his early days at Maine Road, took the laces out of poor Adams's boots, and appropriately had a hand in two goals and so nearly several others.

Equally absorbing was the duel on the opposite right flank where Ritchie, who has retained his skill without reaching the potential once promised at Old Trafford, took on the resolute Downs again and again. That bout was an honourable draw, an outcome which was critical to Leeds surrendering the authority they had for the first 20 minutes: though Ritchie prolonged the tension when creating the 84th minute equalizer which forced extra time.

Driving into and out of Yorkshire before and after the match you might have thought the miner's strike picketing had suddenly resumed. There were enough policemen on the streets and at every motorway junction for an invasion from Mars, and reluctantly, because Billy Bremner's team played with such discipline, it has to be said that Leeds's defeat has probably spared London some nasty crowd disturbances.

For Coventry it has been a long wait since the Sixties when the ringmasters, Robbins and Hill, took them from third division to first. That prosperity came and went, but they have survived, and now deserve their moment of history.

Irving Scholar, Tottenham's chairman, seems intent on manipulating history. Not only is he questioning the record goal tally of Greaves, but conversely is encouraging a manipulation of Clive Allen's emulation of Greave's performance. There is no question that the goal attributed to Allen, Tottenham's second, was an own goal by McClelland.

The unlucky Plumley cannot be blamed for any of the goals, in my opinion, except perhaps the last, Hodges' second. The first came from a vicious, early shot by Clive Allen which dipped and swerved back at him two feet from his right, and might have eluded more experienced goalkeepers. Hodges' first — Tottenham's third — he will never repeat: a freak from a seemingly impossible angle. Rather than question Plumley, I'm inclined to ask what Graham Taylor allowed to happen to the goalkeeper he had when winning the Youth Cup two years ago.

Quite apart from two goals in 14 minutes, Watford never coped with Tottenham's 4-5-1 formation. I cannot see Coventry controlling Tottenham's exceptional mid-field quintet or Clive Allen.

City supporters turn on Swales

By our Sports Staff

There were demonstrations at Maine Road and Roker Park on Saturday after Manchester City and Sunderland had slumped to embarrassing home defeats. Manchester City, who are bottom of the first division, were beaten 4-2 by Southampton and Sunderland, struggling in the second, lost 2-1 to Sheffield United.

Thousands of angry supporters demonstrated outside Maine Road after the defeat virtually consigned City to the second division. The main target of a torrent of invective and abuse was City's chairman Peter Swales.

But in a remarkable show of *sang froid*, Swales said afterwards: "They are the best supporters in the world and I won't criticize them under any circumstances. A lot of the blame for what has happened must be laid at my door because we have tried one or two things that have not come off but I am resolved to stay on.

City, promoted two years ago after a brief visit to the second division, have had problems on and off the field during Swales's reign, but there has been little sympathy for the board from the undoubtedly loyal but often intemperately critical supporters.

Lawrie McMenemy, the £150,000-a-year managing director of Sunderland, was under intense pressure yesterday as the club languished on the brink of relegation to the third division.

Thousands of Sunderland's supporters gave their verdict on McMenemy's struggling side on Saturday by staying away from the game against Sheffield United.

The crowd of 8,544 at Roker Park was among the lowest in the club's history and some reacted to the latest defeat by hurling away their scarves before staging a demonstration which ended with McMenemy's Mercedes car being damaged.

McMenemy refused to comment on the crisis at the club, which is more than £700,000 in the red but it looks increasingly likely that he will walk out of the job in the near future, particularly since his close friend and assistant, Lew Chatterley, has already decided to leave Sunderland in the summer.

Pakistan name squad for England tour

Lahore, Pakistan (Reuter) — Pakistani cricket authorities yesterday announced an 18-man squad, packed with seven fast bowlers, for the forthcoming five-Test tour of England.

The fast bowlers are Imran Khan, named last month to captain the side, left-armers Wasim Akram and Salim Jaffer, and the medium pace bowlers, Mohsin Kamal, Zakir Khan, Mudassar Nazar and Manzur Elahi. The stylish left-hand batsman, Younis Ahmed, aged 39, recalled in Febraury after 18 years for the five-Test series Pakistan won in India, was omitted from the squad announced by the board selection committee member, Ejaz Butt.

PAKISTAN: I Khan (captain), J Miandad (vice-captain), R Raja, S Mohammad, S Malik, E Ahmed, M Elahi, S Yousaf, W Akram, S Jaffer, A Qadir, T Ahmed, M Nazar, M Akhtar, A Mujtaba, M Kamal, Z Khan, I Qasim.

Brabham ends Herbert's run

Gary Brabham and Bertrand Gachot, in their Ralt RT31s, proved that the combination of Johnny Herbert and the Reynard 873 is not invincible in yesterday's British Formula Three race at Silverstone.

After the race had been restarted following a first lap crash, Brabham led from Herbert with Gachot chasing the Australian to the flag. It was Brabham's first Formula Three win.

FORMULA THREE: 1, G Brabham, Ralt RT31, 24min 24.81sec, 116.74mph; 2, B Gachot, Ralt RT31; 3, J Herbert, Reynard 873. Championship positions: 1, Herbert, 24 pts; 2, Brabham, 18; 3, Gachot, 13.

Williams allays injury fears

By David Hands, Rugby Correspondent

Peter Williams, the Orrell stand-off half, is confident that he will be able to join the England Rugby Union team on their World Cup training weekend in Portugal on Thursday, despite the ankle injury he sustained playing against Liverpool-St Helens at Moss Lane on Saturday.

Williams, aged 28, twisted his right ankle just as he did during Orrell's John Player Special Cup semi-final against Bath last month which cast doubt over his chances of receiving his first cap for the match against Scotland.

He recovered in time and said yesterday that he would certainly be going to Portugal for the six-day visit and hoped to take a full part in proceedings.

However, the injury will mean that he will resist any temptation to continue his club rugby because of Orrell's involvement in the Lancashire Cup final against Waterloo on April 26.

He received treatment in Manchester on Saturday and further treatment from Kevin Murphy, the England physiotherapist, yesterday and his availability for the World Cup is not in doubt.

Williams does not believe there is any permanent weakness in the ankle. "I've never had any problem with the ankle before," he said. "It's just coincidence that I've gone over on it twice in two weeks. There's definitely nothing chipped or broken."

SPORT IN BRIEF

An airing for pitches

Opposition to the new regulation regarding uncovered pitches will be expressed today at the annual pre-season meeting of the county cricket captains. Several will challenge the legislation on the grounds that it is misguided, and others will stress that the late implementation of the rule has left them disadvantaged.

Many captains are expected to argue that slow bowlers will have their advantage negated because the run-up will remain covered. The Test and County Cricket Board say that the regulation is an experiment which is valid for one season.

Foulds draws

Neal Foulds, hoping to earn three points in his attempt to catch Steve Davis at the top of the Rothmans Matchroom snooker competition, had to settle for a point after his 4-4 draw with Willie Thorne at Bradford on Saturday. Foulds secured the draw with excellent break-building. Jimmy White lost his unbeaten record in the competition when Tony Meo beat him 7-1.



Lopez: European event

Lopez returns

Nancy Lopez will return to Europe to participate in a golf tournament for the first time since 1979 when she competes in the Hennessy Cognac Cup at St Germain, Paris, from July 2-5. Amy Alcott, another top American golfer, also will take part in the event.

Back scan

The Kent all-rounder, Richard Ellison, will undergo a back scan this week to ascertain the progress of a stress fracture he sustained in Tasmania. Ellison, who will not be fit to start the county season, hopes to be ready on May 2.

Lendl is fit

Tokyo (AFP) — The world No. 1 tennis player, Ivan Lendl, will make his comeback after undergoing arthroscopic surgery on his left knee on March 11 when he undertakes the Japan Open this week.

Korean plea

Tokyo (AFP) — North Korean officials have called on FIFA, the governing body of world football, to rescind a decision that excludes them from the 1988 Olympic football tournament.

Post-mortem

Mainz (AFP) — A coroner has ordered a post-mortem examination of an athlete who died of heart failure on Friday, two days after receiving an injection for lumbago. Birgit Dressel, aged 26, came ninth in the 1984 Olympic heptathlon and fourth in the European Championships at Stuttgart last year.

Quick swim

Adrian Moorhouse, of Britain, equalled the year's best for the 50m breaststroke with a winning 28.96sec in the inaugural European Community championships at Leeds yesterday.

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